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Ethics and the Internet:

Universities Cope With Patrolling Abuses on the Information Highway

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Pornographic pictures smuggled into the computers of a nuclear weapons lab for national distribution; an MIT student indicted for sharing more than \$1 million in copyrighted software; a \$45,000 settlement for alleged on-line harassment. These are just a few examples of how the Internet, once a tightly knit community of academics and scientists, is colliding with the real world or at least the virtual real world. With more than 20 million people internationally with access to the high-powered network and campus life changing with every modem connection, people are wondering just who's patrolling the information superhighway.

One thing is clear-computers are becoming more prevalent on campus. Two years ago, when Andrew Wright came to Harvard University, people still called each other on the phone and sometimes met for a cup of coffee. But with most of Harvard's dorm rooms now on-line, Wright, who interviewed more than 150 people, for a "Crimson" series about computers on campus, said things have changed. "The computer network has become the student center," he said.

Harvard isn't alone in its technological transformation, according to Kenneth Green, director of the Technology, Teaching and Scholarship Project at the University of Southern California. By the end of 1993, 25 percent-or one in four-public four-year colleges provided computer hook-ups and networks access in dorm rooms. At private research institutions, 61 percent of the dorms are connected. At public research institutions, 43 percent. That is a dramatic increase since the project began an annual survey five years ago, and it is a growth curve Green expects to continue.

But if computers are becoming the student center, it is often a loud, profane and sometimes criminal place with a code and language all its own. Take, for instance, "flaming," or purposely going on-line specifically to rile other users by adopting an opposing or obnoxious stance. Sometimes flaming scenarios are elaborately orchestrated with cohorts agreeing to start an on-line argument just to suck others into the fray. There's even

Such harassment, varying from racial and sexual slurs to fraudulent e-mail, make up the bulk of on-line complaints.

from racial and sexual slurs to fraudulent e-mail, make up the bulk of on-line complaints. Such encounters may seem, at best, benignly absurd until you're the person whose cat has just died or

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Think back to a point in time when there were no houses to live in, no cars to drive, no phones to use. A time when grains were plucked off of bushes and meat was fresh this afternoon. During this early and primitive time in history man began to ask questions about himself and his environment.

One complex piece of equipment used by researchers.

His curiosity drove him to find better ways to survive. This eventually lead to some leisure time.

From these early questions man became civilized and formed communities. The Greeks were the earliest known society who had the means to basic survival under control so that some of their citizenry could ponder the mysteries of life. Archimedes, Aristotle, Plato and Socrates were such men of this time. Asking the questions that had no relevance on immediate problems to their world. Yet what eventually came were new ideas for civil engineering, navi-

gation and science and math. The rise of the Greeks and then the Romans lasted for more than a thousand years! Can this be due to the curious men of yesteryear? Because of the questions that are asked and the answers that were eventually found, have benefit all of mankind.

Progress from the Greek beginnings carried through the "Dark Ages" to the times of Galileo and Copernicus. These

and other men laid the foundation to "Modern Scientific Thought." A great many achievements made during this time have led to products still in use today. The telescope used by Galileo, the electric motor devised from Faraday's Law, and an understanding of Maxwell's Equations provide us with knowledge of electromagnetic radiation and light.

Today, research has expanded into many areas of our society and is of many varieties. There is academic research and industrial research. There is basic research and applied. There are experiments and theo-

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ry. Research is also like any other business, is dependent upon what it does as well as the quality produced.

Here at the North Campus, there are all kinds of research that are going on from the physics and engineering departments. There is also a place on North Campus that many people on campus may not know about, it is the Research Foundation. The "Foundation" is located next to Bourgeois Hall. Its director is Dr. Gerry Waldman. The Foundation houses about 50 full time personnel. There are also about 30-50 more research assistants, graduate and undergraduate students working on a variety of projects.

At the Foundation there are many things that occur. First, it is a clearinghouse for staff researchers and Professors from the physics and engineering department who are submitting a proposal to the federal government. This is a necessity because of the number of government granting agencies. They each have their own particular requirements for the proposals that are submitted. The Foundation makes sure that the proposals submitted to these agencies follow the particular guidelines for that agency. This function saves the author of the proposal a lot of time in rewrites, saves in catching any misprints and having to keep up with the constant barrage of changes in policy of the particular granting agency.

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an organization of proud flammers who, among other things, entered a discussion group of bereaved cat owners to suggest portions of the feline corpses make an interesting sexual diversion.

Such harassment, varying

perhaps the guy who misses a crucial final exam because your e-mail reported the date had been changed. A professor at Texas A&M received death threats in October after someone using his password sent racially offensive e-mail to college campuses in four states.

But other computer users are already feeling off-line repercussions for their on-line actions, including the following examples:

• A student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology was indicted after distributing \$1 million in copyrighted software through the Net and faces fines of

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It's a Wonderful Life

Phillip J. Kelnhofer

My last column of the semester, such sweet sorrow. This column marks the end of what has been a strange semester for me. While I may have not learned much about physics, I learned a lot.

I learned that I can do more good in the world from the bottom up than the top down. That is why I decided to become a high school teacher rather than a physicist. I believe I'll do more good by helping a few kids grow up to be better than I would by discovering some new flavor of quark.

I learned that as you go through life you make some new friends and some old friends drift away.

I learned that the second person is the forgotten man in literature. In fact the only thing that I remember reading which was written in the second person were the "Choose You're Own Adventure" books and I'm not sure if they count as literature.

I learned that some people spend too much time planning their lives out far in advance. They tell themselves that if I do A, B, then C I'll be where I want to be in life and they don't worry about where they are now.

I learned that opportunities pass by quickly (sometimes so fast you won't notice until it's too late), but if you miss them there is no time to worry. You must go on with your life. The only thing sadder than a person living their life in the future is a person living in it the past.

I learned that even if I don't like Eddie Vedder's outspoken political views, Pearl Jam is probably one of the best rock 'n roll bands around. I know that I am biased since I hate MTV and Pearl Jam doesn't make videos, and also, I still remember when I saw them in concert at Cumnock Hall.

I learned a lot about human nature and whether people are born good and learn to do bad or vice versa (of course such thoughts were generated by reading old Calvin & Hobbes comics strips). I decided (and this is just my opinion) that people are born with a clean slate and while learning to be good requires work, evil can be accomplished quite effortlessly.

I learned that evil like entropy is always increasing (maybe I did learn something in Statistical Thermodynamics). However, I decided that I won't let that stop me from trying to do good.

I learned also that Calvin is a Hobbsian and Hobbes is a Calvinists. Of course, I took Intro to Philosophy two years ago so I probably got that wrong too.

I learned that life is a precious gift which should be enjoyed for its own sake without pressure from other people. Too often people let others, be it their friends, parents, or others they don't even know, tell them what to think, wear, and do. Instead, we should strive to be ourselves.

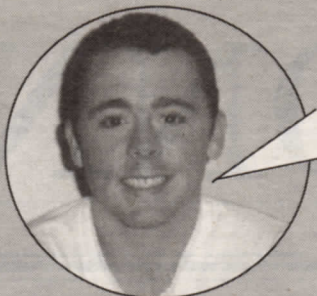
I learned that just because someone has never seen *It's a Wonderful Life* that doesn't mean they are a bad person, just a little out of touch with the world. Honestly, if you haven't seen it, buy it or rent it...it's worth the money. If you don't have an emotional response to this film then you are either dead or the embodiment of pure evil.

So in this time of giving and receiving of change and renewal, I think everyone should do one thing over break to improve the quality of their life. It should be something you've been putting off but you know in your heart you have to do. Whether it be ending an old relationship or starting a new one, changing your major or changing your hair, getting a job or quitting a job.

I learned that when the holidays roll around everyone should be happy.

The views expressed in this column do not necessarily reflect those of the Connector

University Speaks!



Todd Andrews, Plastic Engineering, Junior

"A Degree"

Debra D'Entremont, Music Education, Senior

"I wish to be able to have my mother come home for one last Christmas."



Question of the Week:

If you could make one Christmas wish come true, what would it be?

! I wish everyone peace and happiness during this holiday season !
- compiled by Lisa Turcotte



Jose Maldonado, Electrical Engineering, Freshman

"I wish to be able to have a reunion with my family, especially my family."

Taunia Soderquist, Music Business, Senior

"For my Stafford Loan to come in before I graduate"



POLICE LOG

*Dan O'Grady
Connector Staff*

Friday, December 2

- 11:04- Cars blocking, Eames Lot.
- 13:12- Report of harassing phone calls.
- 19:44- Fire alarm pulled, Concordia/Sheehy.
- 21:07- Break in & entry to a motor vehicle, Lovejoy Lot.
- 23:09- Disturbance, Sheehy.

Saturday, December 3

- 13:41- Crosswalk sign damaged, South Campus.
- 16:54- Larceny under \$250, Durgin Hall.
- 17:09- Medical call, UML-EMT's responded. Transport by Trinity.
- 18:20- Medical call, Costello Gym. UML-EMT's responded.
- 19:50- Medical call, Costello Gym. UML-EMT's responded.
- 20:24- Medical call, Costello Gym. UML-EMT's responded.
- 20:31- Medical call, Costello Gym. UML-EMT's responded.

Sunday, December 4

- 02:40- Medical call (alcohol), Bourgeois Hall. UML-EMT's responded.
- 16:23- Medical call (assist Trinity), West Campus. UML-EMT's responded.
- 16:45- Vandalism to a lock, Leitch Hall.
- 16:50- Larceny from ARA, South Campus.
- 17:37- Fire alarm, Bigelow Hall (W. Campus).
- 18:04- Medical call, Fox Hall. UML-EMT's responded.
- 21:48- Vehicle hit & run, Lovejoy Lot.

Monday, December 5

- 05:05- Medical emergency, Sheehy Hall. UML-EMT's & Trinity.
- 08:52- Larceny from Olsen Hall.

- 10:31- Report of suspicious activity, Eames Lot.
- 13:30- Stolen vehicle, Lovejoy Lot. Taken was a 1987 Toyota.
- 14:22- Stolen vehicle, Riverside Lot. Was recovered.
- 17:46- Motor vehicle stop, verbal warning issued.
- 18:23- Emergency call box tampering, Olney Hall. Person apprehended.
- 18:35- Break in & entry to a vehicle, Riverside Lot.
- 19:24- Fire alarm, Bigelow Hall.
- 19:52- Southwick exit gate broken.

Tuesday, December 6

- 12:51- Break in & entry to a vehicle, Lovejoy Lot.
- 16:41- Larceny of a vehicle, Lovejoy Lot. Recovered in Lawrence.
- 17:37- People stuck in elevator, Fox Hall.
- 18:05- Vandalism to state property, Vulkor Lot.
- 18:40- Larceny of a vehicle, Riverside Lot. Taken was a 1986 Mazda Pick-up.

Wednesday, December 7

- 16:52- Smoke detector activation.
- 19:56- Fox elevator down.

Thursday, December 8

- 01:50- Assist LPD at fire scene, Hildreth St.
- 06:57- Olsen gate broken.
- 14:19- Break in & entry to a vehicle, Riverside Lot.
- 14:30- Break in & entry to a vehicle, Riverside Lot.
- 22:37- Larceny from Bourgeois Hall.
- 23:10- Report of juveniles in Olney Hall.

The Police Log is provided by the UMass Lowell Police Department.

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up to \$250,000, plus time in a federal prison.

A student at Stephen F. Austin University faced up to five years in prison after pleading guilty to threatening on-line to kill President Bill Clinton, his wife and daughter. A University of Illinois student also faces criminal charges after he threatened the president in an e-mail message.

The problem seems to be, according to Deborah G. Johnson, a professor at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and author of "Computer Ethics," that the

anonymity of computer interaction allows people to do things in the public on-line forums they would never dream of doing, say, in line at a grocery store. The reason is simple. "You don't have people staring at you," Johnson said, "looking you in the eye."

G. Tom Milazzo, director of the Greensboro College-based Datamaster Center for Ethics in Technology, said many people also don't automatically apply the rules of society to computer etiquette, or netiquette, because computer interaction has long been presented as unreal. When you type an offensive message into a computer, it's easy to forget there is a real person out there

reading it. That cushion of computer indoctrination helps keep society's rules at bay.

The Santa Rosa controversy resulted in the closing of bulletin boards designated for male and female journalism students. That angers Cynthia Dyer-Bennet, editor of the "Oak Leaf," the student newspaper where the controversial ad was printed. "Obviously, it is better to have kept discussions out of the realm of the personal," she said. "But there are always going to be people who don't have a grip."

Censorship, which seems to be endorsed by the \$45,000 settlement, sets "a slippery slope," she said, echoing a concern of many.

The question is how should these abuses be handled? At many universities, computer systems, managers; the technical people overseeing computer networks, have found themselves in the position of police officer and purveyor of moral standards. Organizations as diverse as the FBI and individual university's judicial boards can also end up involved.

"None of these are new issues, it's just that they didn't use

to travel through time and space as easily," said Greg A. Jackson, director of computing at MIT. Plus, he said, "sometimes when people are faced with anything about a computer or a network they suspend all their good judgment."

It's unlikely, for example, that many college freshmen would blatantly ogle a "Penthouse" centerfold at arms length in the middle of the library. But, Jackson said, computer pornography being reviewed at communal, highly visible library work stations was once a big problem at this school. The answer to that high-tech, although perhaps, low-brow, dilemma was a little common sense. Computer monitors took to asking eager eroticists what their parents would think if they saw what they were doing. Jackson said the number of incidents dramatically declined.

He said that approach reflects MIT's prevailing attitude "if you tell them it's wrong, they'll stop."

Jackson said 90 percent of on-line abuses spring from ignorance. (The remaining 10 percent is split, he said, between those "disturbed in some sense," and those "actual-

ly intending to cause harm."

Wright, the Harvard student, agrees that "it is not so much malice as this is a brave new world where there aren't regulations, and it is not always clear what is right and what is wrong."

Harvard is working to clarify that question through an ad hoc committee to deal with computer violations. The committee reviews complaints to see which, if any, should be forwarded to the campus judicial review process, taking the policing authority out of the computer department.

Milazzo, of the Datamaster Center for Ethics in Technology believes Harvard's policy is more in line with meeting the challenge and that MIT's method is "optimistic." Most colleges, he said, have yet to fully understand the impact or the scope of the inappropriate conduct being transmitted over their computer lines. He said most large universities have standards of ethics and behavior which can be translated to the computer world. The procedures designed to enforce those policies throughout the campus community should apply within the computer community. He doesn't buy the idea that controlling on-line activity is censorship.

But Ben Shneiderman, a professor of computer science at the University of Maryland, said people shouldn't overreact to computer abuses or let the digressions of a few overshadow the progress of many. Computers have changed the way he teaches his class and the way instructors and students are working together across the country, he said.

But, he said, people are always going to break society's rules; it is just that "on the computer there are some novel ways which people can be unkind to one another."

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Research Foundation

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Another function of this organization is applied research. The specialty of the Research Foundation's research is with determining the optical properties of materials, called glass, to be used as a cover for lasers. This is a business that the foundation does that provides a customer with the knowledge of the "glass" for the application the customer has stated, usually as a lens to a laser.

Materials may look very shiny to the unaided eye. When you are using light that has a wavelength of .1mm(millimeter) that surface can be very rough. It is important to see what happens when light strikes this surface, such as the reflective properties of the material, and how much light goes through the material. The material may also polarize the light, this property of the material needs to be known.

Each week a trade journal is published listing research that needs to be done. The Research Foundation checks the listings and then passes the information to the

staff researchers and Professors. If there is a match then the wheels of the organization start turning and a bid is made for that project. The success or failure of the contract being received by the Foundation is based on its cost effectiveness. This is a competitive bidding process.

The students in Physics and Engineering work there gaining experience and income. The time they spend there is about 10-20 hours a week working with their sponsoring researcher. It is of great advantage to the students who work there for education related job experience.

According to Dr. Waldman, The Clinton Administrations budget cutting policies have taken its toll on this facility. Two people were laid-off last year. Dr. Waldman's optimistic about the future, "there will always be research." This is because at this point in time we may have a clear understanding of the theory, but the math we need may be either too difficult or too lengthy to get what is needed.



College News Briefs

From Campuses Around the Nation

Be a Cover Model

BLOOMINGTON, Ill - Want a chance at 15 seconds of fame? Then, try winning your way onto the cover of a nationally distributed magazine.

James Plath, editor of *Clockwatch Review*, a non-profit journal of the arts based at Illinois Wesleyan University, is sponsoring the cover competition.

"I got to thinking about how to appeal to people-how to persuade them to give literary magazines a try," said Plath, in an interview with a *Chicago Tribune* columnist, Bob Green. "I can't do it with big-budget advertising or promotions. I don't have the money. So it occurred to me...why not put someone on the cover who would otherwise never have the chance to be on the cover of a magazine? Why not give someone the opportunity to be a celebrity?"

To make the event a literary effort of sorts, all contestants are asked to write in 35 words or less, "Why I'd like to be on the cover of a magazine."

While a drawing will determine the winner, the short essay is required because "as a literary magazine, we celebrate the written word," said Plath.

The winner will see his or her photo on the entire color cover of the magazine, which is nationally distributed to newsstands, bookstores and libraries (including the Library of Congress). Never mind that the circulation is only 1,700, said Plath.

To enter, send along a dollar and your 35-word essay to: *Clockwatch Review*, Department of English, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL 61702-2900. Entries must be postmarked by January 2.

And what do the losers get for their dollar and their creative effort? "Would you believe one minute of fame?" Plath said, explaining that the names of all who enter the contest will be printed, in the order in which they were received, on the back cover, inside covers and inside pages of the magazine.

Student Aid Administrator Resigns in California

SACRAMENTO - The chief of California's Student Aid Commission resigned after federal officials accused the agency of mishandling millions in student loans.

Samuel Kipp III, California's executive director of the Student Aid Commission, announced his resignation after intense pressure from the U.S. Department of Education.

Earlier this year, Kipp's agency was targeted by federal officials after allegedly mishandling \$62.6 million in federal funds for student loans. The federal government is seeking the repayment of the money. Kipp and the state commission have disputed the federal accusations and have filed a lawsuit trying to stop federal officials from collecting the \$62.6 million. The lawsuit is still pending.

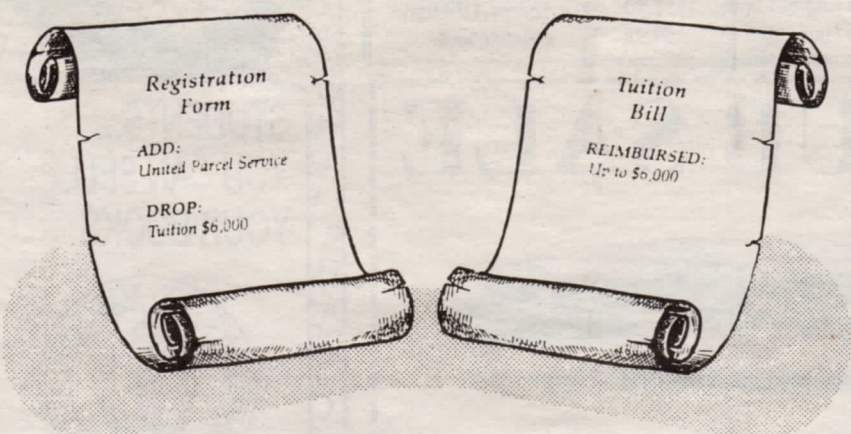
The commission's trouble with federal education officials began when an audit of the 1990-91 fiscal year revealed that incorrect interest was paid to lenders and that loans exceeded federal limits. Later, the commission was accused of overcharging the Department of Education for \$16.4 million in unnecessary student loans. Both findings are being reviewed.

Although Kipp has officially resigned, he will not step down as directory until a successor is named. He will remain on the agency's payroll as a researcher at his full \$99,804 salary until June.

In a written statement, Department of Education officials said that Kipp's resignation means "the commission is taking steps to address department concerns."

In his duties, Kipp who has served as directory for nine years, will be working on a report entitled "Paying for College in California: Assessing the Impact of Current Trends on Students and the State."

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The Spanish Corner

ULTIMOS SUSPIROS

Finalmente, se aproxima el momento, la tensión se incrementa, como al apresurarse una tormenta, como cuando el mar turbulento acrecenta el palpitar de nuestro corazón y la muerte se asemeja a un gran portal listo a abrirse de par en par. Bueno digamos que la situación no es tan desesperante, pero en realidad no pude encontrar mejor símiles para describir la situación por la que yo y muchos de ustedes estamos atravesando.

Para mi esto parece un huracán dispuesto a deborarme, o para ser un pocomas regionalistas con Latinoamérica, a un terremoto de esos desbastadores que suelen azotar nuestros terruños. Son los últimos días de clases, las quedadas tarde en la biblioteca o el laboratorio, sacando disculpas en el trabajo para asistir a una reunión de grupo, el proyecto o por mejor decirlo los proyectos que se acumulan y que hay que entregar a tiempo, por lo cual nunca podemos terminarlos a satisfacción. Las trasnochadas, las presentaciones estresantes que se aproximan, las tazas de café que vienen y van. Bueno a esto se le pueden añadir unos cuantos tickets por estacionarse de afán y todos los otros inconvenientes y descuadradas que nos pegamos y que no alcanso a enumerar.

Para mi come este es mi último semestre esto es tan penoso como tener un bebe. Hago la analogía sin querer ofender a la mujer, es simplemente por que en el trabajo una compañera que estaba en cinta y era supuesta a dar a luz para Navidad, que es por los mismos días en que acabamos el periodo estudiantil; me decía al ver que los dos nos quejábamos de nuestros propios dolores: "Tu pareces estar embarazado, solo que tu eriatura es un título y el mío es un bebe". Bueno dejeme decirle que así me sentía yo y aún peor porque mientras sus dolores eran especialmente en el estomago, los mios recorren todo mi cuerpo, los pies cuando corro y la cabeza todo el tiempo. Afortunadamente para ella todo salió bien pues fué a parto prematuro. Para mi esto todavía no se acaba y parece que no hay tal 'parto prematuro' en la vida estudiantil.

Pero eso si el 23 de éste mes, después de mi último examen, en vez de una sala de hospital tendré por espacio al mundo y un sentimiento de libertad, tomare rumbo al sur en busca de calor y paz.

Quisiera finalmente despedirme de mis amigos hispanos, de los que de una manera u otra me aguantarán y soportarán. De los que se aliviarán con mi ausencia, que descansen en paz sin mi presencia y que les vaya bien, pues hombre rencoroso yo no soy.

A los que no conozco y a los que vendrán, que Dios los tenga en su guarda pues no sabe lo que les espera en la UMass. También espero que ésta columna, al igual que los otros logros de LASA se sigan apoyando e incrementando. Que algún día cuando mi nieta venga aestudiar a ésta universidad, LASA sea una facultad y el presidente de UMass sea un José o Ramón o tal vez Isabel o Carolina. Gracias. Exitos. Confianza. ... No se olvide de mirar al cielo estrellado, de preguntarse entonces quien sos y para donde vas, pero sobre todo de donde viniste so animal.

-Dagoberto Quiroga

Nota: Los errores gramaticales en ésta columna se deben a cambios hechos por el editor. Y si es firmado por el anónimo ese soy yo el renegado y no Victor el descuidado.

Exam Week Library Hours

Dec. 15, 1994 - Dec. 23, 1994

Thur. Dec. 15	Reading Day	7:30am-Midnight
Fri. Dec. 16	Exams Begin	7:30am-10:00pm
Sat. Dec. 17		10:00am-6:00pm
Sun. Dec. 18		1:00pm-Midnight
Mon.-Thurs. Dec. 19-22		7:30am-Midnight
Fri. Dec. 23	Exams End	7:30am-5:00pm

The last day to have your ID Card replaced during the Fall Semester is Wednesday, December 14, 1994.

Please check posted days and times at the Office of University Life

Days and times for Spring 1995 replacements will be posted at the beginning of the Spring Semester.

HELP!

The Housekeeping Task Force is conducting a survey of the University Communities' opinions about the current and expected levels of cleaning in the academic and administrative buildings.

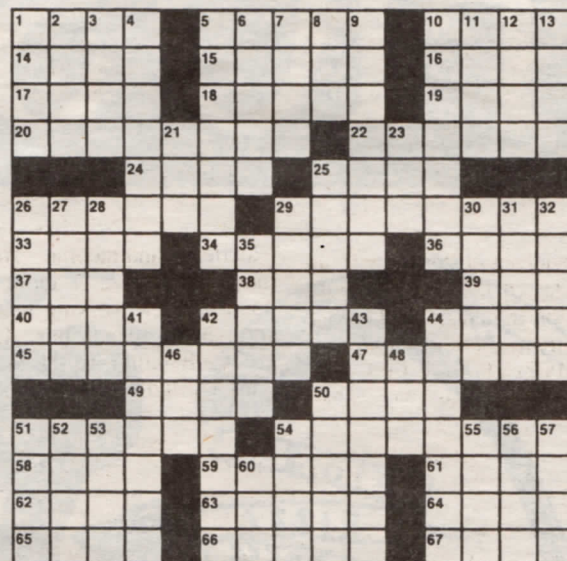
We are asking that all students take a few minutes and complete a survey form. Make a difference, make your opinions known, your input is important to us!

Survey forms are available at the University Life and Facilities Department offices in Cumnock and the SIC's in Pasteur, McGauvran and Fox Halls.



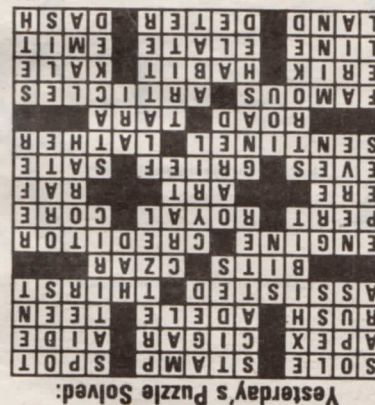
THE Crossword

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- Food fish
 - Impression
 - Catch sight of
 - High point
 - Stogie
 - de-camp
 - Stampede
 - An Astaire
 - Youthful suffix
 - Helped
 - Dryness
 - Units of computer information
 - Ruler of old
 - Fire or steam
 - Bill collector
 - Saucy
 - Kingly
 - Central part
 - Poetic preposition
 - Carney or Garfunkel
 - Eng. flyers
 - Holiday times
 - Sorrow
 - Fill up
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 - Give off
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 - Prevent from acting
 - Recipe measure
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- Poet Teasdale
 - Musical piece
 - Smaller amount
 - Show
 - Disperse
 - Neap and ebb
 - On in years
 - Bad: pref.
 - Salty snack
 - Like a lampoon
 - Wharf
 - Works in verse
 - Camp item
 - Moral lapse
 - Used to own
 - Jalopy
 - Swords
 - Boldness
 - Grassy area
 - Actor Ritchard
 - Pentateuch
 - Take to the stump
 - Direct to a source for help
 - Used skulls
 - Petted
 - Ground together, as teeth
 - Butter up
 - Piled up
 - Promise to pay
 - Onassis to some
 - Hackneyed
 - Tumbled
 - Elaborate melody
 - A state: abbr.
 - Like — out of hell
 - Dalai —
 - Wallach and Whitney
 - Adam's son
 - Stout



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ANSWERS



Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:

Winter Intersession 1995

Make Your Winter Break Really Count!

December 27 - January 13

Don't put your education on ice this Winter Break – enroll in UMass Lowell's Winter Intersession. This highly concentrated session is perfect if you want to earn college credit to get ahead in your educational program. If you're enrolled in another university, it's a great way to earn transfer credits!

Day Classes: Mon. - Fri. and Sat., January 7, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

Evening Classes: Mon. - Fri., 6:00 - 9:00 pm and Sat., January 7, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

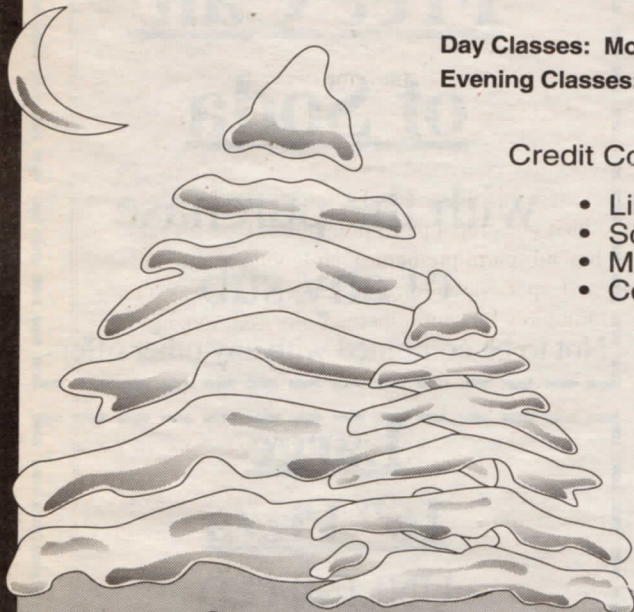
Credit Courses (3 credits) available in:

- Liberal Arts
- Sciences
- Mathematics
- Computers
- Social Sciences
- Management
- Music

Cost: \$105/undergraduate credit

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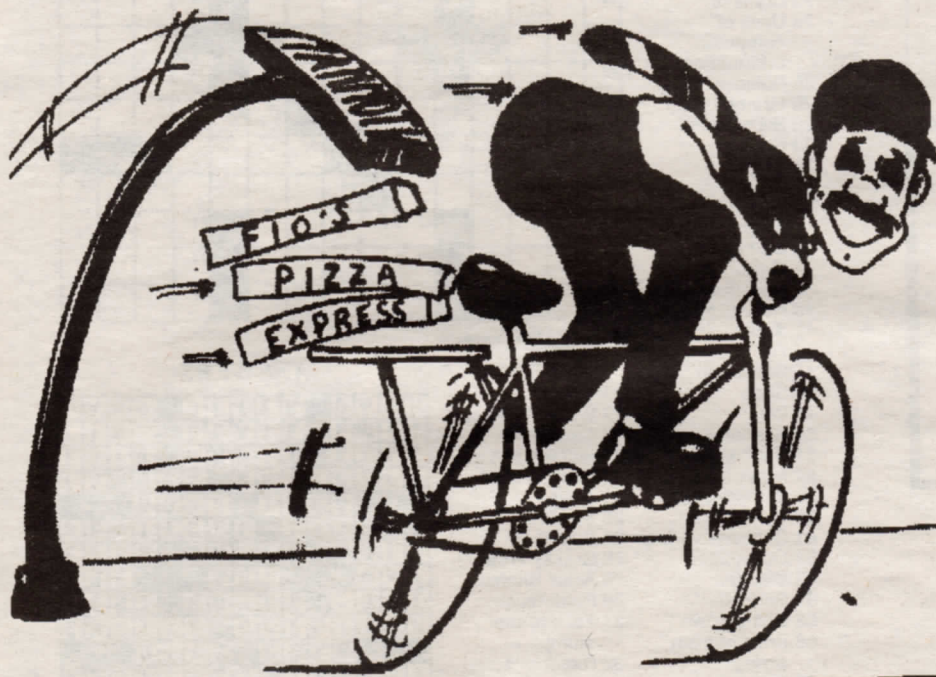
For a Winter Intersession Course Bulletin stop by the Office of Enrollment Services in Southwick Hall or call (508) 934-2480.



University of Massachusetts Lowell
Division of Continuing Education

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PIZZA

	10"	12"	16"	12"syrian
Cheese	\$4.35	5.75	7.75	5.25
1 Topping	4.90	6.75	9.05	6.25
2 Toppings	5.25	7.75	10.35	7.25
3 Toppings	5.80	8.75	11.65	8.25
4 Toppings	6.15	9.75	12.95	9.25
5 Toppings	6.70	10.75	14.25	10.25

Toppings

Thick Crust • Pepperoni • Ground Beef • Mushrooms • Green Peppers • Ham •
Onion • Bacon • Spinach • Sausage • Broccoli • Pineapple • Fresh Garlic • Olives

SUBS AND SALADS

	Med.	Lg.		Med.	Lg.
Veggie	3.30	4.30	Italian	3.95	4.95
American	3.95	4.95	Turkey	3.95	4.95
Tuna	3.95	4.95	Ham & Cheese	3.95	4.95
Roast Beef	3.95	4.95	Meatballs	3.95	4.95
Cheese Steak	3.95	4.95	Sausage	3.95	4.95
B.L.T.	3.95	4.95	Teriyaki CheeseSteak	4.95	5.95
Steak Bomb	4.50	5.50	Chef Salad	3.95	
Garden Salad	2.95		Greek Salad	3.95	
			Tuna Salad	3.95	

459-3600

HELP WANTED

Flexible Hours! Great Pay!
Drivers and inside help needed!

Burnout Special

8" Sub 10" Pizza
2 Sodas Bag of Chips
\$5.50

Receive medium sub (instead of 8") for
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Free Small Cheese
Pizza with the purchase
of any two large subs

1 coupon per order

Free Can of Soda

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of any sub

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UNDERCOVER

SPECIAL

Medium
One-Topping
\$3.99 + tax

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PIZZAS

\$4.99 + tax

Not to be combined with any other offers

Large

16" Pizza

UNLIMITED
TOPPINGS

only **\$9.99** plus tax

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...Career Corner

All December & June Graduates

If you have not registered with the Placement Office, come in and register. Make sure to bring resumes with you. Have a look around . . .

It could mean a job for you.

If you need help with preparing your resume, come in the Placement Office. We can help you out.

If you have not been to the Placement Office lately, stop by and replenish your supply of resumes before you miss out on a job opportunity!

The Placement office is located in Southwick 200. The office is open 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. We will be open during Christmas break.

Become A School Volunteer for Lowell

You can make a difference in a young person's life. If you can give four hours a week or more, School Volunteers for Lowell can place you in a Lowell classroom where you can help brighten a child's day.

Teachers have requested volunteer help in elementary and middle school classrooms for Classroom Assistants, Mentors and Tutors in reading, writing, math and science. Computer lab assistants are frequently requested. Library assistants are also needed.

There is a great need for "Kinder mentors" for Lowell's youngest students in Kindergarten and Pre-kindergarten. Kinder mentors offer support and encouragement to children with different linguistic, academic and developmental needs.

For more information on becoming a Classroom Assistant, Mentor, Tutor, or Kinder mentor call School Volunteers for Lowell at 934-4668.



Scholarships Available

The Psychology Department
University of Massachusetts Lowell
Scholarships of \$2,500 for qualified students to train in autism, and the opportunity for early admission into a Graduate Program in Counseling Psychology, Rehabilitation, and Special Education. Preference will be given to minority students but all may apply. \$5,000 stipend for those who pursue graduate training.

For more information and an application please contact Dr. Mandell, Psychology Department Chair, at Mahoney 110 ext. 3954 or drop by the Psychology Advising Center Mahoney 1 Monday through Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Essay Contest

First Prize \$2,000

Honorable Mentions \$250

The 1995 J.E. Davis Award will be presented to a college student whose essay on the virtues of the free market is chosen by our review panel.

Topic: Capitalism and The Failure of Socialism

For additional information, including an entry form, call (904) 744-9986 or write to Dr. Mark J. Perry, IWC, Jacksonville University, 2800 University Blvd. N, Jacksonville FL 32211.

Fax: (904) 744-9987 E-mail: iwc@junix.ju.edu

Deadline for entries: January 31, 1995

The Institution for World Capitalism at Jacksonville (Florida) University is sponsoring this annual essay competition as part of its comprehensive education and public affairs program to advance democratic capitalism in America and around the world.

A pagan god of some sort

We drew
straws. . .
and I lost.
So now I'm
the one
who has to
apologize for
the Disco.
Sorry!
Okay.



How do I get a parking sticker for my car?

What's a DIG form?

Where do I declare my major?

Where's the Financial Aid Office?

Where's the Registrar's Office?

Where's the mailroom?

Where is the Student Government Office

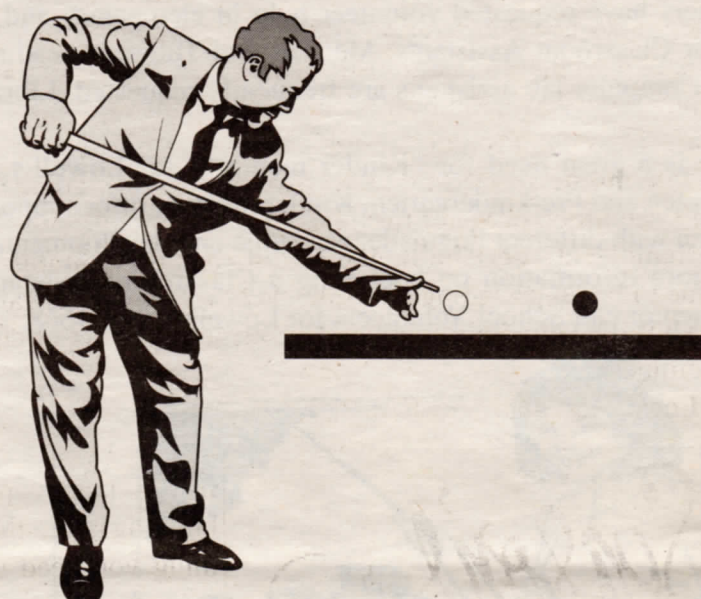
But where are the Student Information Centers?

- On South - In the Mary McGuavran Student Union Building
- On North - In the basement of Pasteur (next to the commuter cafe)
- In Fox Hall - On the first floor

In addition to being a wealth of information, there's heaps 'o fun to be had at the SIC's pool, ping pong, air hockey, etc.

Find the answers to all these questions and more at the

Student Information Centers



University of Massachusetts Lowell

UML's Official

Spring Break in Negril, Jamaica

March 12-19, 1995

Quad Occupancy: \$549
Triple Occupancy: \$589
Double Occupancy: \$629

Price includes:

- Round trip airfare from Boston
- 7 nights hotel lodging
- Round trip transfers between hotel and airport
- Hotel tax and service charge
- On site tour staff

Information Sessions:

McGauvran 334

12/15 at 7:00 p.m.

1/31 at 6:00 p.m.

2/14 at 6:00 p.m.

Fox 301

12/13 at 6:00 p.m.

1/30 at 7:00 p.m.

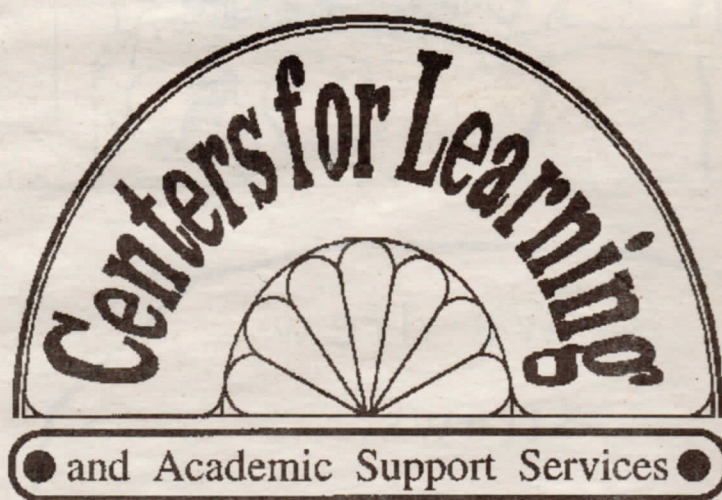
2/13 at 7:00 p.m.

Any questions?

Call Chris or Deb at

(508) 934-5001.

Sponsored by The Activities Commission



At night add a little more C.L.A.S.S. to your life.

Centers for Learning also offers evening and weekend hours for selected subjects:

North Campus (SO 315):

Biochemistry	Wednesday	7:00pm-10:00pm
College Algebra	Monday	7:00pm-9:00pm
College Algebra	Tuesday	7:00pm-9:00pm
Integral Calculus	Thursday	5:30pm-7:30pm
Marketing Principals	Tuesday	7:00pm-9:00pm
Marketing Principals	Thursday	7:00pm-9:00pm
Psychology Research Methods	Monday	7:00pm-9:00pm
Psychology Research Methods	Tuesday	7:00pm-9:00pm

South Campus (3rd floor O'Leary Library):

Physical Chemistry	Wednesday	5:00pm-7:00pm
Spanish	Saturday	1:00pm-3:00pm

In addition to this during the week we have about,

- 40 hours for Calculus
- 20 hours for Chemistry
- 25 hours for Physics
- 8 hours for Integral Calculus
- 5 hours for Anatomy and Physiology
- 12 hours for General Psychology

Please pickup a complete schedule at C.L.A.S.S.

...Residence Life

Everything You Always Wanted To Know About The Holiday Decorations Policy But Were Afraid To Ask

In an effort to reduce fire hazards on campus, the following policies will be enforced within the residence halls. Look for more details on your floor.

1. Live Christmas trees are not allowed
2. Live wreaths are not allowed
3. The decorating of doors as wrapped presents is not allowed
4. As always, the burning of candles and incense is not allowed
5. The use of large outdoor Christmas lights is not allowed

Only small artificial trees and wreaths may be used as decorations. Please use common sense and avoid potential electrical and fire hazards in your rooms. We wish everyone a SAFE and happy holiday season, as well as good luck for upcoming finals.



SOME REMINDERS TO REMEMBER

Residence Halls close at 6 pm on December 23rd.

Here are a few tips to follow before you go home for the holidays:

1. **Shut and lock your windows** - It wouldn't be pleasant to come back to a room full of snow, nor would you want some one to have broken in and taken everything you've left behind.
2. **Unplug everything** - electrical surges happen and your nice new stereo might be toast when you return. Especially remember to unplug your refrigerator and remove any food that might go bad - it will really stink up the place in your absence. How many times have you been woken up or annoyed by someone's alarm clock going off? Then don't forget to unplug that too.
3. **Take home your plants and fish** - unless they are the kind that hibernate and don't need food or water for three weeks.
4. **Remove all perishable foods and your dirty laundry** - Holidays are not a good time to begin providing a hospitable environment for rats, insects, and the like.
5. **Shut off your lights** - going to college is expensive enough without this kind of wastefulness.
6. **Lock your door** - PLEASE!



It will not be possible to re-enter the building after the 23rd, so take everything you need until January 17th with you.

Finally: If you are withdrawing permanently, you must check out with staff, turn in keys, sensor cards, and sign a withdrawal form.

Good Luck on finals and have a great vacation!

Look for coffee, juices, and snacks in the buildings during finals. Individual buildings will post what to look for and when to look?



More things brought to you by Hall Councils and RHA

Motivational Speaker at Leitch Hall

Dr. Jesse Heines of the Computer Science Department was back in the residence halls again to present his motivational speech to the residents of Leitch Hall last Thursday evening. He spoke to between twenty and thirty residents and "Engaged" them for about an hour with free pizza and soda as a follow-up.

Using a computer and state-of-the-art multimedia equipment, Dr. Heines showed clips of *Top Gun* to demonstrate that college students must

"engage" in their education and make the most of their time here at the university.

Students had only rave reviews of Dr. Heines and his presentation. Many residents commented that the presentation made them think differently about being here at school and that they had a much better understanding of what it takes to succeed here.

From the residents of Leitch Hall, thanks Dr. Heines.

INTERSESSION HOUSING

December 23, 1994 - January 16, 1995

Housing will be available during Intercession for current residents!

Fox Hall and Donahue Hall will be open during the Intercession. If you are a current resident of either of these buildings you will be able to reside in your current room.

If you do not reside in either of these buildings please come to the Office of Residence Life for information on what options you have.

Cost for Intercession: \$240.00

Cable and Phone service will not be interrupted during Intercession.

**Office of Residence Life, Cumnock Hall
ext. 2100**

...Events

Chi Alpha Christmas Celebration

"We party to forget,
we celebrate to remember."

Nick Fatato

Dec. 13th

7:00 p.m.

Fox - Room 604

Eat, Drink and be Merry

at the Biology Club

Christmas Party

FOR IN TWO DAYS WE HAVE FINALS.

When? 12-14-94

Where? Olsen 606 1:00 p.m.

All faculty, students and staff welcome.
Please sign up with Kim Carlson in
Olsen 602. There is a \$3.00 fee per
person. Fee is waivable if company
brings an entree.

Attention International Students!

Holiday Open House
Thursday, December 15,
1994

International Student
Office

Falmouth 306

11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

New Stuffed Animals, Toys and Games Wanted for Christmas Drive

Florence Lacouture of the Alumni
Records office and Altrusa
International of Greater Lowell, Inc.
are seeking new Christmas presents to
be given out to members of the House
of Hope homeless shelter. All new
stuffed animals, toys and games may
be placed in the Christmas boxes at
the various locations listed below.
Drop off locations and contact num-
bers include:

North Campus

Alumni Hall, Room 103
Florence Lacouture x3236
Ball Hall, Room 432
Barbara Flaherty x3330
Costello Gym, Room 304
Carolyn Bernier x2303

South Campus

O'Leary Library/Holly Sheridan-
Pritchard x4579

Weed Hall, Room 218/Jennie Maguire
x4525

West Campus

Upham Hall Lobby

UMass Lowell Recycles Again

Starting November
14, 1994,

You probably
noticed blue tubs
at Fox Hall,
Evans Lounge on
north campus
and Student
Union Building
on South. These
bins are for recy-
cling of NYNEX tele-
phone books. We

appreciate your
cooperation in
making this anoth-
er successful pro-
gram of E.H.S.

(Environmental
Health and Safety
Department) and
the UMass Lowell
Recycling Office.

These telephone
books will be recy-
cled as we have
done with other
paper for the past
few years.

Any questions,
please call us at
x6666.

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Due to extraordinary growth, R & B Sales has positions calling key
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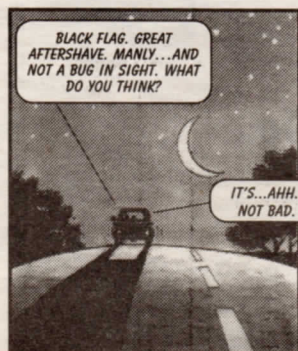
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3 BEDROOMS
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BY MARC SHALMAN WITH MARY KANE HARRY COLOMBY BY ROBERT KING
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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

FIRST SEMESTER 1994 - 1995

Course Date Day Time Room

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

01371 12/16 F 3:00 CO103
01373 12/17 S 11:30 CO100

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

10203 12/21 W 11:30 KI306 KI308
10305 12/19 M 3:00 KI202
10308 12/20 T 11:30 KI303 KI305
10347 12/21 W 3:00 KI204
10403 12/20 T 11:30 KI302
10405 12/20 T 8:00 KI302
10409 12/19 M 3:00 KI302
10413 12/16 F 3:00 SO318
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14350 12/19 M 11:30 KI310
14372 12/20 T 3:00 SO318
14431 12/17 S 3:00 SO318
14452 12/19 M 3:00 OH218
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COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS

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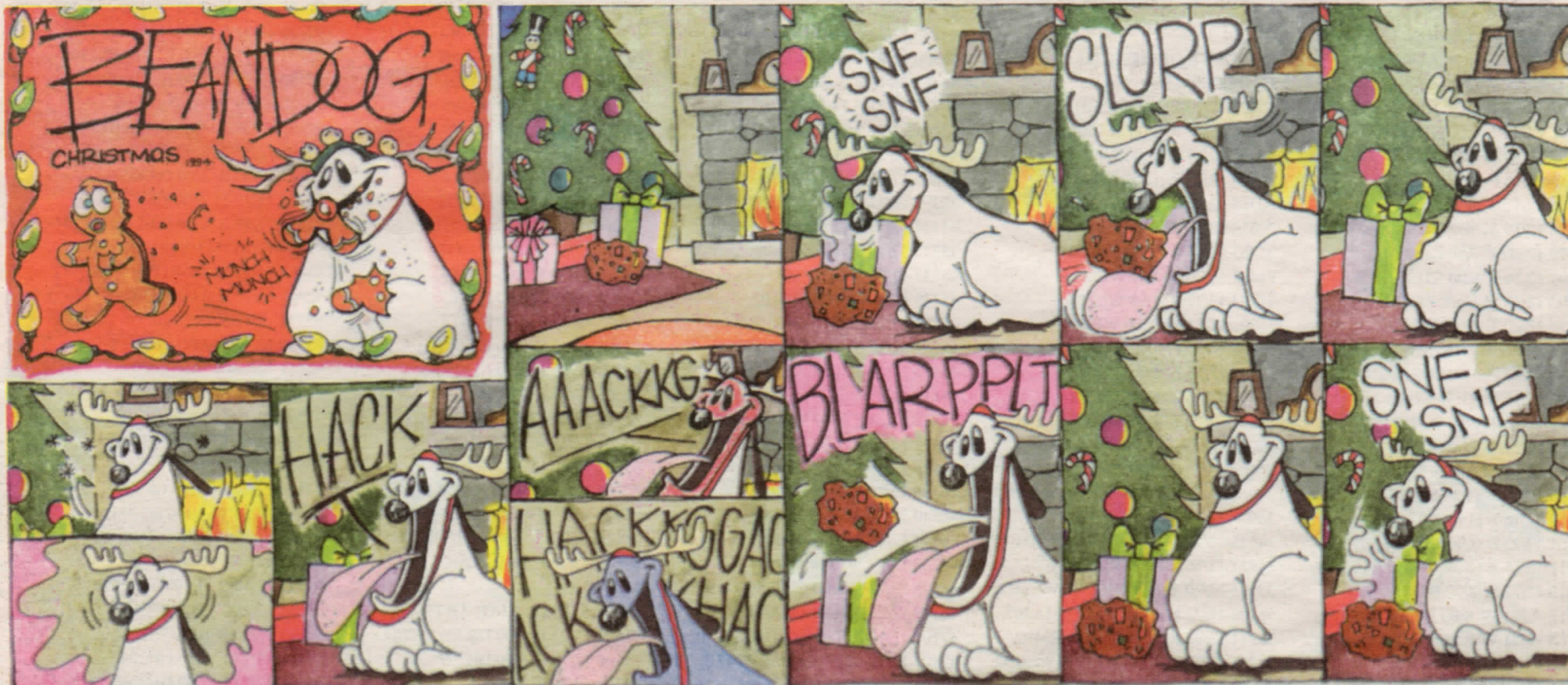
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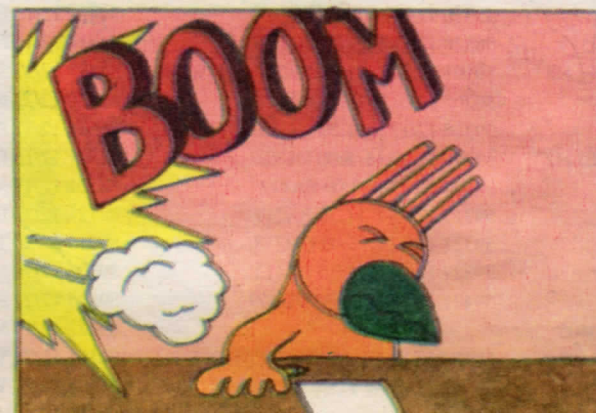
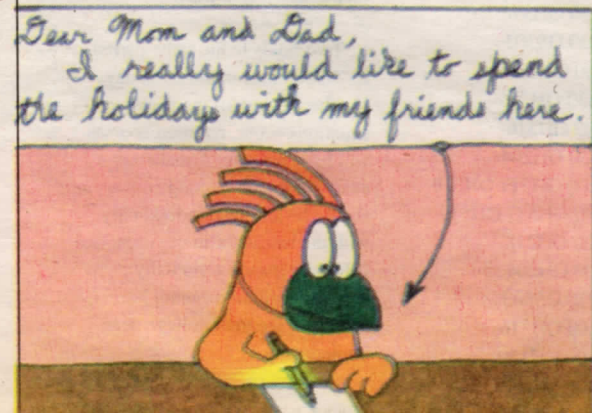
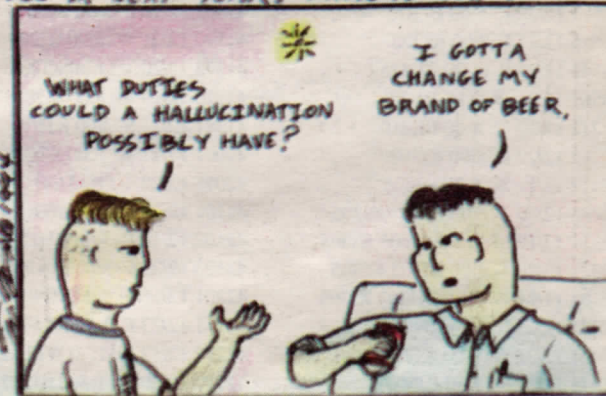
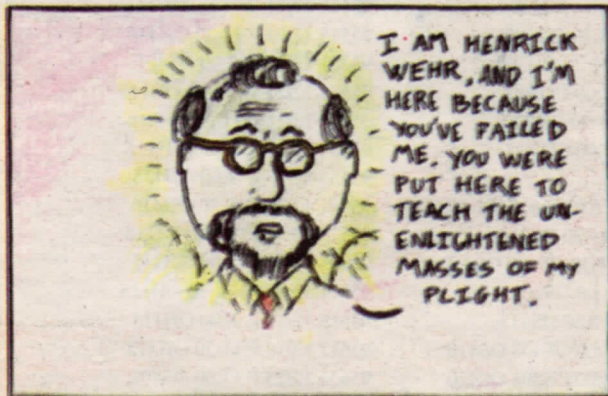
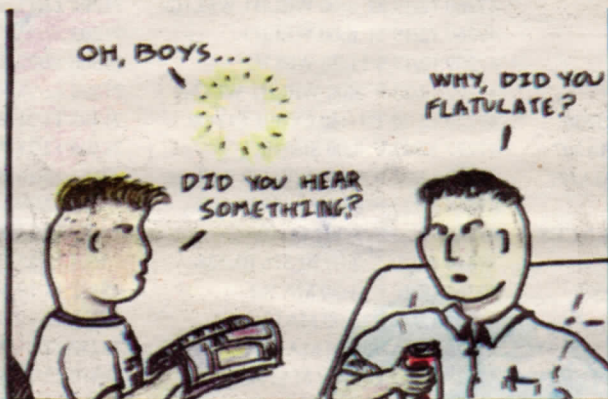
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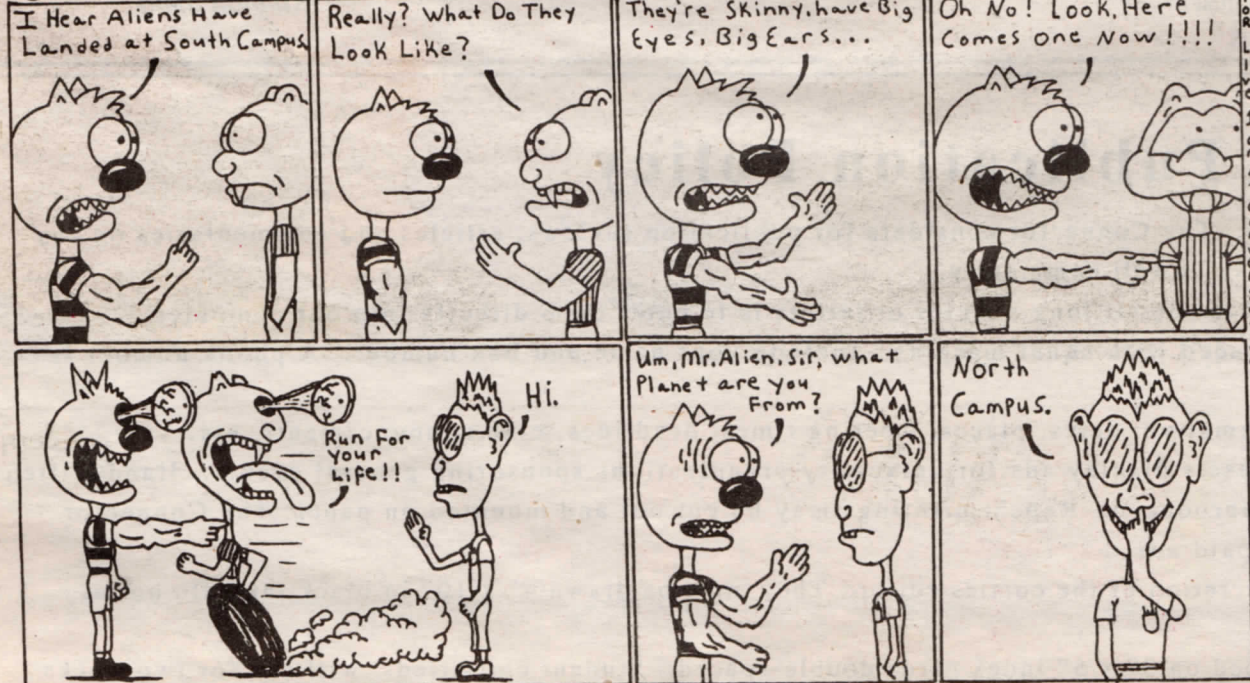
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

What Christmas Means To Me

Three things go by the name of Christmas. One is a religious festival. This is important and obligatory for Christians; but as it can be of no interest to anyone else, I shall naturally say no more about it here. The second (it has complex historical connections with the first, but we needn't go into them) is a popular holiday, an occasion for merrymaking and hospitality. If it were my business to have a "view" on this, I should say that I much approve of merrymaking. But what I approve of much more is everybody minding his own business. I see no reason why I should volunteer views as to how other people should spend their own money in their own leisure among their own friends. It is highly probable that they want my advice on such matters as little as I want theirs. But the third thing called Christmas is unfortunately everyone's business.

I mean of course the commercial racket. The interchange of presents was a very small ingredient in the older English festivity. Mr. Pickwick took a cod with him to Dingley dell; the reformed Scrooge ordered a turkey for his clerk; lovers sent love gifts; toys and fruit were given to children. But the idea that not only all friends but even all acquaintances should give one another presents, or at least send one another cards, is quite modern and has been forced upon us by the shopkeepers. Neither of these circumstances is in itself a reason for condemning it. I condemn it on the following grounds.

1. It gives on the whole much more pain than pleasure. You have only to stay over Christmas with a family who seriously try to "keep" it (in its third, or commercial, aspect) in order to see that the thing is a nightmare. Long before December 25, everyone is worn out—physically worn out by weeks of daily struggle in overcrowded shops, mentally worn out by the effort to remember all the right recipients and to think out suitable gifts for them. They are in no trim for merrymaking; much less (if they should want to) to take part in a religious act. They look far more as if there had been a long illness in the house.

2. Most of it is involuntary. The modern rule is that anyone can force you to give him a present by sending you a quite unprovoked present of his own. It is almost a blackmail. Who has not heard the wail of despair, and indeed of resentment, when, at the last moment, just as everyone hoped that the nuisance was over for one more year, the unwanted gift from Mrs. Busy (whom we hardly remember) flops unwelcomed through the letter box, and back to the dreadful shops one of us has to go?

3. Things are given as presents which no mortal ever bought for himself—gaudy and useless gadgets, "novelties" because no one was ever fool enough to make their like before. Have we really no better use for materials and for human skill and time than to spend them on all this rubbish?

4. The nuisance. For after all, during the racket we still have all our ordinary and necessary shopping to do, and the racket trebles the labor of it.

We are told that the whole dreary business must go on because it is good for trade. It is in fact merely one annual symptom of that lunatic condition of our country, and indeed of the world, in which everyone lives by persuading everyone else to buy things. I don't know the way out. But can it really be my duty to buy and receive masses of junk every winter just to help the shopkeepers? If the worst comes to the worst I'd sooner give them money for nothing and write it off as a charity. For nothing? Why, better for nothing than for a nuisance.

- C.S. Lewis

"Green Giving" at the Office

This is the time of year when countless Americans, imbued with the holiday spirit, decided to make donations to worthwhile causes. With concerns for the health of the planet an increasing priority, many people are choosing to make their charitable gifts "green" in more ways than just the color of their money.

"Green giving," or contributing to environmental groups, is growing. Over the past two years, donations to environmental causes have jumped 8.7%, according to The Chronicle of Philanthropy.

Gifts to environmental charities arrive all year round, not just during the holidays, and they come not only in the form of individual checks but through that grand old workplace tradition, the payroll deduction campaign. Earth Share, the nation's preeminent charitable federation of environmental organizations, representing 41 nonprofit with operations in all 50 states and overseas, has been a major booster — and beneficiary — of this trend.

The payroll deduction campaign has long been an essential component of this country's charitable endeavors. American employees' gifts to nonprofit are a crucial factor in the survival of an immensely diverse array of charities, including those dealing with environmental issues on the local, national, and international level.

In recent years, the charitable choices in workplaces have begun to expand due to the rapid growth of non-traditional charitable federations like Earth Share. These new federations have adapted to changing times by going beyond the scope of many traditional workplace campaigns and offering employees the chance to support causes of increasing concern to everyone—such as the environment.

Polls show that 80% of the public is worried about the environment and wants to do something to protect it. The disparity between the public's desire to engage in "green giving" by supporting environmental charities, and the still limited opportunity people have to do so in many workplaces, can readily be remedied by expanding workplace charitable drives. And the movement toward just such an expansion is gaining steam.

Expanded workplace charitable drives, often called "federated" or "combined" campaigns, now are available to the employees of 40 states and the federal government; combined campaigns are held at one or more locations of at least 140 companies, a number of them Fortune 500 firms; and more than 5,000 charities that are not represented in traditional payroll deduction campaigns now receive funds from expanded charitable drives.

With today's computer technology, it is easy and economical to expand workplace charitable campaigns to include environmental groups. It's also a savvy business decision that pleases employees and the community alike by demonstrating both corporate responsibility and a sensitivity to workers' wishes.

Perhaps of equal importance is the fact that expanding the workplace charitable campaign frequently proves to be a win-win proposition. No harm is done to the traditional recipients of employee contributions and often a larger amount of money is raised for all concerned. One study of 50 firms with combined campaigns showed that total annual giving grew in 93% of those charitable drives and exceeded 10% annual growth 73% of the time. Earth Share, now a participant in such important corporate charitable campaigns as those of Allstate Insurance, AT&T, Gannett, Home Box Office, J.P. Morgan, Levi Strauss, Minolta, The New York Times Company, Nissan Motor Corporation, Time Warner, Turner Broadcasting System, WMX Technologies, Wells Fargo Bank, and USA Today, has raised nearly \$30 million for its affiliates in the past five years. Its low overhead ensures that 90% of the money goes directly to its member organizations. Contributors can designate a specific environmental group as the recipient of their gift, or direct that their contribution be shared by all of Earth Share's affiliates.

In growing numbers, Americans are striving to make the final years of the 20th century an environmental decade, dedicated to preserving our planet. Employers can take significant strides toward that goal by opening their workplace campaigns to the organizations that are endeavoring to enhance the health and welfare of people, plants, animals, and ecosystems everywhere on earth. As we count our blessings, try to preserve them, and seek to share with the less fortunate, a key way to do so is to contribute to — and expand — our workplace charitable campaigns. If you make one of your charitable choices "green," you'll be giving the earth a gift — and doing a world of good.

-Kalman Stein

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"Thanks!"

To all the people who participated in the Bottle & Can Drive to benefit the Greater Lowell Rape Crisis C.A.P.P. Program.

Lowell Food Pantry

We are still collecting food for the Lowell Food Pantry for Christmas. Please place all of your non-perishables in the box outside the Psych. Office.

Career Day - Feb. 22, 1995

Psychology Career Day is Wednesday, February 22, 1995. If you have any ideas or requests for specific featured information, please get in touch with me through the Psych. Dept.

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If you've recently ordered Psy Chi items, please check in Claire's office.

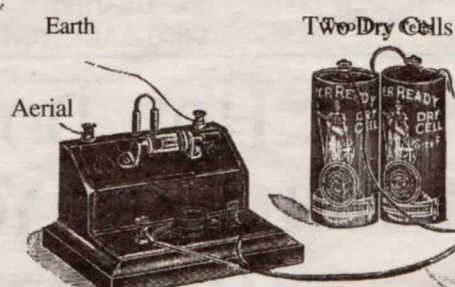
Psychology Student Research Journal

We are interested in starting a Student Research Journal. Have you done some interesting research? Are you particularly proud of a paper you've done and would like to share the information? Let me know. If there's enough interest we'd like an inaugural issue completed for April 1995 distribution.

Monday Morning Coffee

Due to lack of available members, PSI CHI will not be able to participate in Monday Morning Coffee. We will continue the monthly Bake Sales. Watch the PSI CHI Board for sign-up sheets!

"Happy Holidays!!"



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A Technical Course for the Nonscientist

(for the science requirement of the new core curriculum; experimental learning is included)

16.233 The Principles and History of Radio, Teacher: Prof. A. David Wunsch, E.E. Dept.

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Students will learn enough of the elements of electricity and electronics to understand the history and development of radio from its antecedents in the mid nineteenth century through the invention of the transistor. Along the way, we will study the crystal set, Morse code, voice and music transmission, vacuum tube radios, the evolution of a.m. and f.m. broadcasting and the broadcast industry. We will focus on the lives of some of the principal scientists, engineers and businessmen in this field: Maxwell, Hertz, Marconi, de Forest, Sarnoff and Armstrong. Students will be expected to perform 6 one hour laboratory experiments on the North campus. These will be scheduled at mutually convenient times. There will be no final exam - but there are two hour exams and a term paper. Each student gets to build a crystal radio and keep it. Enrollment limited to 20.

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Contact Mark Hill 934-5343
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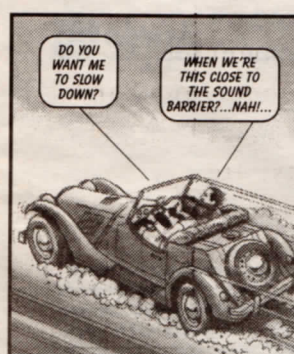
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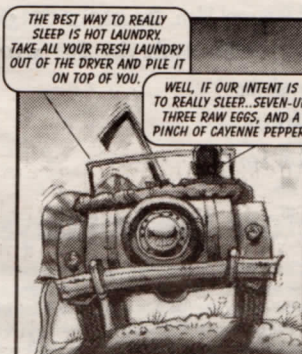
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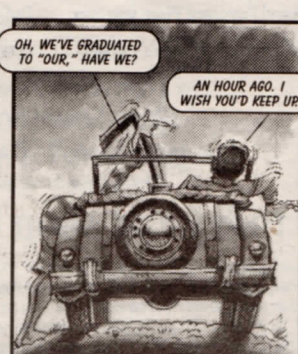
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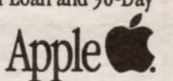


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Nell is compelling; thought-provoking



A. Rivera
Arts & Entertainment

We have literally watched Jodie Foster mature, role after role: she has appeared in commercials, television series, and movies (32 films in 31 years, most notably winning an Oscar for her performance in "The Silence of the Lambs"). She made her directorial debut in 1991 with the critically acclaimed "Little Man Tate"; now, Foster teams up with Co-Producer Renée Missel to present the compelling *Nell* (Dir. Michael Apted; 4 stars out of 4), which is based on the play "Idioglossia" by playwright Mark Handley.

Foster is Nell, a young woman whose reclusive mother raised her in a cabin in the Smoky Mountains of North Carolina; she speaks a seemingly impenetrable language (dubbed "Nellish"—a series of strokes caused her mother's speech impairment, which is the attributed origin of the "language".) Irish-born actor Liam Neeson ("Ethan Frome", "Schindler's List") is the "Irish-born" Doctor Jerome Lovell, who is brought to Nell's remote cabin by his friend, Sheriff



Todd Peterson (played by Nick Searcy). Lovell is drawn to Nell as a protector and as a student; he so desperately wants to keep Nell from harm and, at the same time, wants to learn Nell's world. His intellectual and emotional attachment to Nell touch surface when Dr. Paula Olsen (Natasha Richardson, "Patty Hearst", "Widow's Peak") intercedes with a request to commit Nell to a psychiatric hospital for "treatment". The next three months are spent in effort by Lovell and Olsen to break through into Nell's world; these three months ironically turn to be gradual self-disclosure for Lovell and Olsen which Nell, who is the most purely focused and spiritually aware of the three, has tuned them towards. Their group journey into each other's worlds is cathartic as it is intensely moving and, at times, light-heartedly funny.

Jodie Foster is *not* an overrated actor, and she has proven that she is well deserved of whatever accolades she has received before and with her role as Nell. Not only does the mastery of the atypical dialogue (and *dialect*, for remember that she is learning language spoken with impairment AND Carolinian accent) call for verbal skill; Nell's language requires that one is physically expressive, and with this performance, Foster is Nell. Neeson's portrayal as the Doc in *Shining* Armor has a few miniscule dents in it, but purposely so, as he is his character—far from faultless. Natasha Richardson, primarily lauded for her London stage acting, is a driven, but vulnerable Olsen;

both her and Neeson's stubborn characters pitted against each other make for quirky screen chemistry.

Nell is the first product of Jodie Foster's Polygram-funded production company, Egg Pictures. Co-Producer Renée Missel had first bought the rights to "Idioglossia" in 1989; both she and Foster approached award-winning British Director Michael Apted, who is better known in the United States for his work on "Coal Miner's Daughter" and "Gorillas in the Mist." Apted succeeds in bringing us the story of Nell with integrity; no maudlin sentimentality, no romanticism added to a story that doesn't need it (something that is well overdone by other directors these days.) Apted chose Nantahala National Forest, North Carolina to bring us the tranquil beauty of Nell's world; we seem to be transported right into its virtual reality, for cinematographer Dante Spinotti's ("The Last of the Mohicans", "Beaches") camerawork is absorbing.

It is interesting to note that much of the rest of the production staff from *Nell* was also involved in the making of Foster's previous achievement, "Little Man Tate": production designer Joh Hutman, costume designer Susan Lyall, and composer Mark Isham; for Foster, this is not coincidental. As with "Tate," Foster [included] has her palette of talent to work with, and *Nell* is one (of anticipated several) genuine work of art; it is recommended for both the movie connoisseur and anyone else who'd like to see a thoughtful, *real* film.

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aroma- hoppy

color- mahogany

taste- pleasantly peculiar

aftertaste- bitter

body- has a certain "Je ne sais quoi"

carbonation- good

purity- good

poundability- low

John- good ale, the whole is greater than the sum of its parts; 8.4.

Brian- truly tantalizingly tasty

REVIEW: COORS WINTER FEST 1994-95

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aroma- very, very mild, smells- like air

color- brown

taste- similar to adjuncts*

aftertaste- respectable

body- that of the average beer

purity- good

carbonation- good

poundability- OK

John- leaves an uneasy feeling in my gut, Bah humbug; 5.0.

Brian- tried to make a special brew out of an average beer, try again; 6.1.

* a secondary or nonessential addition(Webster)

Happy Holidays and good will to all man.

- Advice from John and Brian: "Beer makes a great gift for any holiday."

Interview with Type-O Negative at Fitchburg

Dennis DelloIacano & Sharla Collier

Arts & Entertainment

On Friday, December 2nd, Danzig played the Wallace Civic Center in Fitchburg accompanied by Type-O Negative and Godflesh. Not only were we there to see the show, but we also got to interview a member of Type-O.

When we first arrived we were escorted onto the bands tour bus where keyboardist Josh was waiting. After the introductions were made we settled ourselves onto the tacky cow-print couch and began talking.

We started by asking Josh for a brief history of the band, and we received a very brief answer: All four members, being from Brooklyn, NY., eventually got together and started playing small clubs. Although the band has been around for four years now, Type-O still

plays those same clubs, but, "Now those clubs have people in them." Josh states. We also wanted to know who influenced Type-O Negatives unusual sound, which Josh appropriately described as "gothadelic." He immediately answered, "Drugs." (surprised?) He then went on to say that they were always into the older bands like Black Sabbath, the Beatles, and the Misfits; the same music that they still listen to today.

While this is their first major American tour, the band is quite popular in Europe where they have even headlined tours. We asked Josh if being on the road was a cause of agitation among the band members. "No, we actually seem to get along better than most bands." He replied.

We continued by discussing the recent success of their single "Christian Woman." Ironically, however, the band's

very own keyboardist appeared to be unaware of their level of success. He was surprised when we told him how popular Type-O was becoming. We also brought up the point that many of their older lyrics could be deemed offensive. "Yeah my sister thinks so too," but he disagrees. No effort was made to clean up their latest album (Bloody Kisses) in order to gain acceptance on commercial radio. He attributed this to a shift in attitude in the radio industry. "It's not us that have changed, it's more that commercial radio has evolved. Look at the meaning of alternative; now it just means something different. We've also matured. Our last album (Slow, Deep, and Hard) was written out of anger, this one was written out of sadness."

We wrapped up the interview with a pretty standard question: Where do you think you'll be in about five

years? As he glared up at us through his long black locks, with his cigarette dangling from his lips he replied, "In a box. In the cold hard ground." An unusual answer from most, but this response seemed natural coming from such a morbid person.

As we were getting ready to leave, who should show up on the tour bus but lead singer Peter Steele. We were amazed at the size of this man. He stood at almost seven feet tall, with the voice of Lurch from The Adam's Family. We remained long enough to say a quick hello to Peter and get both he and Josh to sign a few autographs. We wished them luck on the upcoming show and left to fight the crowds which were quickly piling up outside.

Rules of the Holiday Buying Guide

John K.
Arts & Entertainment

Few things are as loathsome as the unwanted gift. "How nice, you went out and spent your hard earned money on this piece of crap: you really care, and you obviously know me well." Don't let this happen to you. The best of intentions can often get caught up in that holiday madness/rationality void (resulting in those cutesy little desk toys, aluminum paper weights et al), leading us down the road to disaster. Here are a few simple gift ideas to consider after the making the list, but before the checking it twice, to help spark that creative element hidden deep down in all of us.

A Low Cost Item Can Still Make a Great Gift - Think Quantity. A favorite candy bar. Microwaveable popcorn/burritos.

Yes, even Ramen Noodles. If it costs 50¢, buy 20 of them. Get the whole box/case. Take 2 if they're small. Not only are you likely to surprise the recipient, you'll be thought of 'til the last kernel is popped.

Books: Let someone published provide the thoughtful insights and advice which escape you. Even if that they don't exactly read it, a book can look good on someone's shelf for years to come, impressing friends and colleagues alike. Avoid anything by the Crichton, Grisham gang. Been there, done that.

Something You Can Borrow: a CD, power tools, jet skis. Your desire to own it validates its usefulness, and guarantees that your gift will see some use. A corollary to this idea is the 'accompanying' gift, as in a ticket to a show/concert which

you want to go to and conveniently have purchased a ticket for yourself.

The Fire Extinguisher/Flare/Reflective Panel: 'My car's broken down!' Kit. You never know, you may be with them when it happens. When its your fire extinguisher that keeps the gas tank from going, you'll be a hero. It's the one gift you'll be happy not to see used (throw in an ice scraper for good measure).

Funky Underwear: After all, they're too embarrassed to buy it themselves, and they're likely to be too embarrassed to complain about it to your friends. And if they like it....

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thing, expand their horizons, make them rush home to the mailbox. It's a gift that keeps on giving.

Goldfish (& Bowl): Give the gift of responsibility, without paper training. Its kind of like buying a plant, but they move, for a while at least. Best to buy a few, to improve your chance of survival. Don't be deluded into thinking only standard issue goldfish bowls are required. One of those oversized pickle jars will do the trick (if you wash it first). Go to a pet store, cordially ask a lot of beginner questions, blow them off, and go to a discount store to buy what you'll need. Most of all, remember, 'tis the season to be jolly.

And the sugar plum fairy strummed a mandolin...
Modern Mandolin Quartet
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Just in time for the warmth, comfort, and expected present giving of the holidays, the well-known Nutcracker Suite has been magically transformed into folk music: Memorable themes from the Tchaikovsky classic are played all on mandolin family instruments with special guests Ransom Wilson on flute and Edgar Meyer on bass.

Along with the Nutcracker Suite, the album includes excerpts from Mozart's The Magic Flute and Vivaldi's The Four Seasons. Each theme of the album creates a melodic, celestial sound. The Modern Mandolin Quartet blends gentle, Caribbean/South American harmonies into engaging themes including The Russian Dance and other more light-hearted pieces.

The Nutcracker Suite is recommended as an enlightening holiday present or a self gift (for the Scrooge in everyone). Whether sitting by the log fire or amongst a fine yearly, ritual feast, The Modern Mandolin Quartet produces a soothing setting for all occasions that may lure the listener to dust off his or her worn tutu.

--Toni Marie Pennacchia

Snipes does it again with Drop Zone



Joe Eubanks
Arts & Entertainment

Veteran actor Wesley Snipes ("New Jack City, Jungle Fever, Passenger 57") stars as U.S. Marshall Pete Nessip in this new action adventure flick named DROP ZONE. In this film directed by John Badham ("Point of No Return, Saturday Night Fever"), Nessip is on the trail of a highly skilled team of stunt skydivers. Pete Nessip (Snipes) and his brother Terry (Malcolm Jamal Warner) are U.S. Marshals escorting convicted computer hacker Earl Leedy (Michael Jeter) to a federal prison via a commercial 747. In mid-flight, an apparent terrorist attack results in an on-board explosion and the death of Pete's brother and Leedy's disappearance. In the aftermath of the air tragedy blamed on his brother and partner Terry, Pete is suspended while authorities investigate the cause of the accident.

Several disfigured bodies are found and are believed to be those of the terrorists and prisoner. No one believes Pete's implausible theory that the attack was a set-up and actually a prison break. Convinced that those terrorists on board the plane escaped by parachute, he begins his investigation into the world of professional skydiving. After finding an ally in skydiving expert Jessie Crossman (Yancy Butler), Nessip searches

the swamps, and skies of Florida for this renegade skydiving team led by Ty Moncrief (Gary Busey). Busey ("Under Siege, and The Buddy Holly Story") plays a retired DEA agent. Moncrief kidnaps Leedy, the hacker in order that he access computer files and obtain highly sensitive information. It's his plan to make a fortune by learning the identities of undercover law enforcement agents and sell this knowledge to organized crime. Pete Nessip begins training and becomes a member of Jessie's elite skydiving team. After learning sky above Washington, D.C., the most restricted air space in the world will become a drop zone during the July skydiving exhibition, he realizes that Moncrief and his squad are going after the Drug Enforcement Agency Building.

Drop Zone is a wonderful film that portrays the true beauty of sky diving. Wesley Snipes went skydiving and trained a lot for this role. Director/Executive Producer John Badham selected Snipes as the ideal actor to star in this film because of his athletic ability and charisma. For a good night out at the movies, Drop Zone is a sure bet.

Season's Greetings

A verbal sideshow

Sharla Collier
Arts & Entertainment

If you happened to pass by the Orpheum Theater on the night of December 4th, you might have seen a rather unusual crowd of people gathered outside. Some had blue hair, while others had no hair, and many looked as though they were decked out for Halloween, but they were all there for the same purpose-to see Hole.

Local bands Helium and Milk Money opened the show, which seemed to get off to a rather slow start. Lack of crowd participation, however, was not a reflection of Milk Money's performance. They went on first and delivered an upbeat, energetic set that really should have gotten people moving. Helium took the stage next, and were a totally different story; with their monotonous repetitive lyrics and stretched-out solos, the crowd proceeded to slip into a comatose state.

After a brief intermission, came the moment we had all been waiting for-Courtney Love and her less-celebrated bandmates strolled onto the stage. Their entrance finally brought everyone to their feet as they launched into the music. During the course of the show, Hole performed a couple of songs from their first album (Pretty on the

Inside), and most of their latest album (Live Through This). They also did a cover of a Crystal's song from 1962, called "He Hit Me (and It felt like a kiss), along with some new material (including a song written by Love Kurt Cobain, and Hole drummer Patty Schemel).

Between songs, Courtney Love took every opportunity she had to use the stage as her personal soapbox. She began by introducing the band's new bassist, Melissa Auf der Maur (a replacement for Kristen Pfaff who tragically died of a drug overdose). She continued to make comments throughout the concert: she told the crowd to rip up the seats and it would be okay because she would pay for half and Kurt could pay the other half; she made a few nasty remarks about Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails (who was in Boston just the night before); she made a reference to the various tabloid-type stories that have been told about her, and even told the crowd a story about why she hated Boston.

I suppose those who were there to witness the crazy antics of Love were not disappointed. More importantly, however, is that Hole gave a great performance that was just as entertaining as Courtney Love's verbal sideshow.

Concrete Blonde
Hollywood
(I.R.S.)



Johnette Napolitano can be heard in rare form; the lead vocalist and bassist of Concrete Blonde, the band that has broken the MTV mold and whose albums fit nicely between albums by band like the Pixies and the Cowboy Junkies. Their new album, Hollywood has 16 tracks consisting of all new and unreleased material.

The tracks on Hollywood contain live rare versions of songs including "Roses Grow", "God Is a Bullet", and "tomorrow, Wendy". Some covers on the album include: "The Ship Song" (Nick Cave), "Little Wing" (Jimmy Hendrix), and "Simple Twist of Fate" (Bob Dylan). Songs previously unreleased include "I'll Chew You Up and Spit You Out", a song written about the L.A. club scene of stale cigarette-filled air and fine local music, the Concrete Blonde start.



Hollywood is an album that enters any listener into the world of reality with their stories about alcoholics and AIDS patients. Concrete Blonde is a band that goes far beyond the "I love you and I'll never get you back" love songs heard on mainstream radio. Hollywood will show listeners that amongst the earthy glamour of the world, there is a need to change the "secret war" many fight each day with tequila, disease, and poverty, combined with Johnette's mysterious, intense vocals.

--Toni Marie Pennacchia

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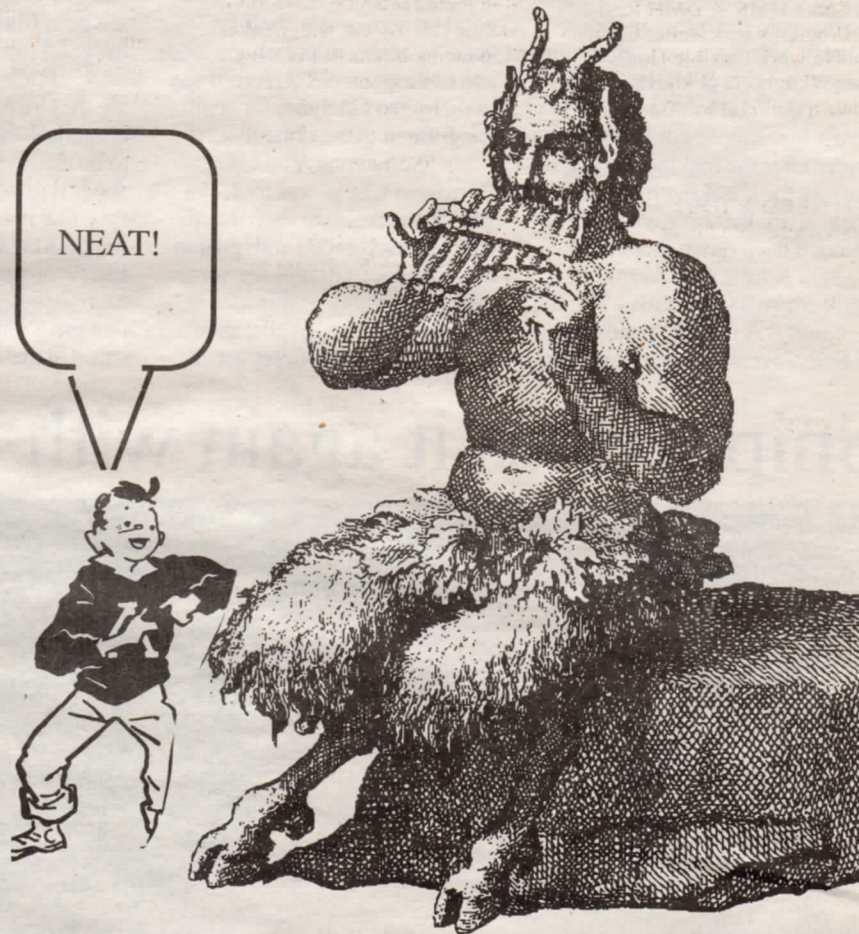
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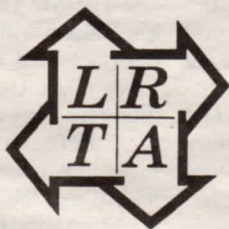
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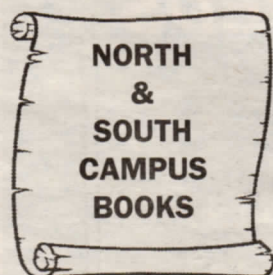
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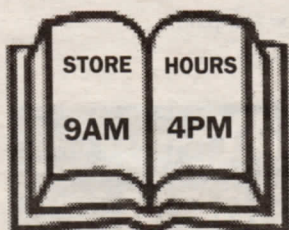
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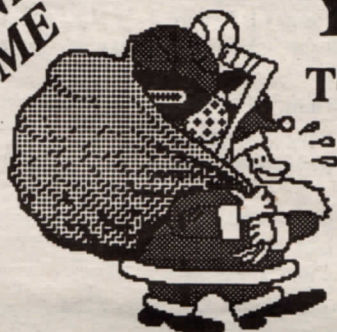


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Sports

UML River Hawks outsoar B.C. Eagles

Bullock's last minute heroics lift Hawks over Boston College in dramatic Hockey East Victory

Jeremy A. Cohen
Staff Writer

Someone must be looking out for us from above. Friday night at the Kelly rink the Hawks were able to beat B.C. 4-3 in the final minutes on a fluke shoot.

Greg Bullock with 1:06 remaining came from behind the net and just slapped it at the net. The puck rebounded off the goalie and then a B.C. defenseman, past lots of blades and sticks and ended up in the net. It was Bullock's tenth for the season.

Brendan Concannon gave Lowell an early lead with a goal at 12:08 in the first assisted by Basaraba. Christian Sbrocca had his 7th goal on an assist from Botto at the end of a power play to bring us to a 2-1 game. Neil Donovan also had a goal it was his 8th of the season.

Paul Botto put on a show by taking on the Callahan brothers from B.C. After that was over B.C. was on a 4 on 3 powerplay, with Botto out for receiving a double-minor for boarding and Aaron Kriss for roughing.

Scott Fankouser had his 3rd win for the season, and he did it with style. Fankouser had 22 saves for the night.

Saturday the Hawks weren't as fortunate as the previous night. The Hawks lost to B.C. in overtime 4-3.

B.C. was up 3-0 going into the third period of play. Until Jeff Daw and Marc Salsman in less than three minutes were able to bring the score to a 3-2 game. Daw had two goals that night. The first was off a rebound off the goalie and the second was with 40 seconds remaining in regulation time. Daw tied up the score to 3-3.

This brought things to overtime. The hawks sent out their best but their best was not good enough. With just over 2 minutes remaining B.C. was able to get one past Lindsay to win in sudden death. In overtime the Hawks had 0 shots on net and B.C. had 3.

Craig Lindsay had his hands full at the net with a 27 save night. The last 10 minutes Saturday night, he was outstanding!

This brings the Hawks to a 7-6-3 overall record and 4-3-1 in the Hockey east. B.C. is only at a 4-9-2 overall and 3-5-2 in Hockey East.

The Hawks will be off in Syracuse for a tournament in the end of December, but will be back in the Forum for some hockey action January 3rd against Merrimack at 7:00 p.m.



Goalie Craig Lindsay was unstoppable in last 10 minutes

-photo by Elizabeth Phillips

Swimming Update

Press Release

Last Saturday at 1:00 p.m. the River Hawks swimming team competed against the Bentley Falcons.

For the men's team Jeremy Cohen lead the team with four first places followed by Brett Twombly and Kenichi Yagi with three first places a piece.

Cohen's swam third in the medley relay that got first with a time of 1:51.77 out touching Bentley by over four seconds. Other members of the relay were Brett Twombly, Kenichi Yagi, and Brian Murphy. Cohen also finished first in the 50 and 100 yard fly and the 200 yard freestyle relay. Cohen lead off in free relay followed by Chris Robertson, Kenichi Yagi, and Brian Murphy.

Twombly grabbed first in the 100 yard backstroke, 100 yard individual medley and the medley relay. Twombly is currently in the lead pack for most points scored.

Yagi is up there with Twombly with points, and is continuing towards the top of

the list rapidly. Yagi had a first in the 50 yard freestyle and was in the 200 yard medley and free relays.

Team Captain Brian Murphy set the pace in the 50 backstroke with a swimming time of 28.59. Chris Robertson had first in the 200 yard free. Other great swims were by Dino Piskopanis in the 200 and 500 yard free and Ayis Caperonis in the 50 and 100 breaststroke.

The final score of the men's meet was Lowell 136 and Bentley 107.

The women were not as fortunate as the men's team again this week

Carla Blackwell lead the women with three first places, followed by Sue Gagnon and Sheleagh O'Neil with two each.

Blackwell had a first in the 100 yard backstroke, 50 yard backstroke and 100 yard IM. Gagnon had a first in the 200 and 500 free. Sue to this point has shown to be a top contender in these events. O'Neil grabbed firsts in both the 50 and 100 yard fly.

The women's final score was Lowell 108 and Bentley 134.

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Pool: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Free Weights: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 18th

Building: 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Pool: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Free Weights: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Monday, December 19th - Thursday, December 22nd

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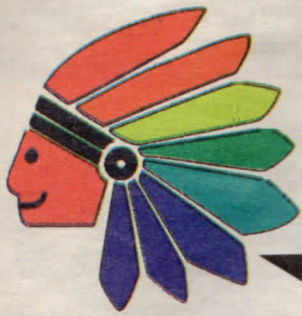
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Superman: Please... call me Mr. Superman.

Bob: OK, Mr. Superman... can I be frank with you.

Superman: But I thought you were Bob.

Bob: Yes...well, anyway. To be honest, I always thought of you as being a little more muscular than this.

Superman: Yeah, I stopped working out in the early eighties... I mean, I had revenue coming in from the movies, and comic books, the Playgirl photo shoot - what's the point to working out.... I'm Superman - who's gonna mess with Superman?

Neil: And what about the smoking; don't you worry about lung cancer?

Superman: I've got four words for you: Super Lungs.

Bob: Superman...that's two words.

Superman: Hey, nerd, stop showing off with that fancy

counting stuff or I'll snap your neck like a chicken's!

Neil: To get on with the interview, Superman, how old are you now? You seem to have been around for quite some time.

Superman: What are you writing a book?

Neil: No...I'm writing an article for the DisConn...

Superman: You little wise ass! Get over here....

Bob: Superman- please let him go... I think you're hurting him.

Superman: Shut up!

Neil: Arrgh...owwww.... gurgle

Bob: Wow, what a pretty shade of blue.

Superman: There, I think he's had enough. What's your next question?

Bob: I can see that's a touchy subject, but but I'd like to bring up Lois Lane if you don't mind...I know you two were an item for a while but I notice you've been flying solo lately.

Superman: Me and Lois started out okay. But I figured I'm Superman- why tie myself down.

Really, I'm just too much man for one woman. Mortal women can't handle me in bed. Five words: Shlong of Steel.

Bob: That's three words, Supe.

Superman: Listen punk, I told to stop with the counting!

Bob: Hey stop staring at me like that. This chair is getting hot!

Superman: Had enough, eh? Now get me some more beer.

Neil: Don't you think you've had enough?

Superman: I'm Superman dammit! I'll drink all I want! Besides I can handle me alco...(thud).

Neil: Holy shit, Bob I think he passes out.

Bob: Well it figures- he's downed about about six cases.

Neil: What do we do know?

Bob: Let's pants him.

Neil: That's a little extreme. Let's get his wallet.

Bob: Okay. Wow! There's gotta be a thousands bucks in here.

Neil: I didn't know they made condoms this big.



-photo by Brian Woodhouse

The Delta Kappa Phi fraternity house.

Bob: Well, I'm taking a couple of fifties that'll pay for the booze he drank.

Neil: So what have you been doing with yourself?

Bob: Same old, same old. Studying for finals. Stuff like that. What about you?

Neil: I went to Maine last week and found this peculiar glowing green rock.

Bob: We should leave it for Superman as a token of our gratitude.

Neil: Hmm, since I took that rock out Superman's not looking so good.

Bob: I think he is decomposing. Let's get the hell outta here.



Lisa "Puddin'" Turcotte
DisConnector Stiff

The social scene at UMass Lowell has been jam-packed in the past week with three star-studded weddings and a heartwarming funeral. Early in the week, three of the DisConnector's most eligible bachelors were married off, much to the chagrin of UMass Lowell's female constituency. The fun-filled week ended on a happy note, however, when Illiterate Society President Katherine Macaroni passed away.

On Tuesday, Nathan "Da Chief" Butze was the first of the Big Three to be joined in holy matrimony when he wedded figure skating sensation Nancy

Kerrigan. Kerrigan explained at a press conference that she has been seeing Butze ever since he wooed her the Winter Olympics at Lillehammer. "Da Chief" was covering the Winter Olympics for the DisConnector when he first met Kerrigan. When he asked her for her hand in marriage, Kerrigan reportedly screamed: "Why me?!?!Why me?!?!!" The ceremony was delayed for ten minutes when Butze had to temporarily leave the altar because he was crying like a girl. Kerrigan was overheard saying "Get him out here...he's just going to start crying again anyway." After the wedding, the couple headed off to Disneyworld which Butze

claimed was "the horniest thing I've ever done."

Phillie "C. Breeze" Kelnhofer was the blushing groom in Wednesday's wedding. Sherilyn Fenn, star of Twin Weeks was the umm... lucky bride. Kelnhofer first discovered Fenn's beauty when he mistakenly rented Boxing Helena. (he apparently thought it a documentary about Mike Tyson) He wrote a letter to Fenn stating that he would like to meet with her to discuss her Twin Peaks... the rest is history.

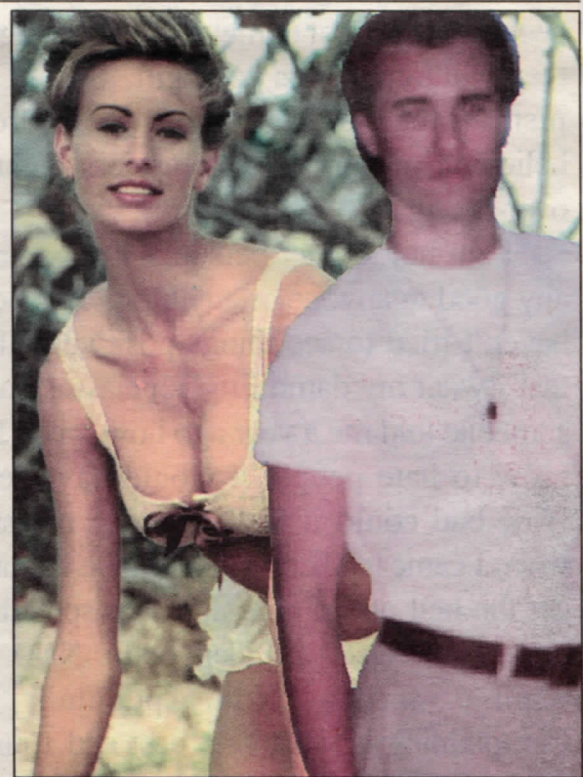
Jim "Clownboy" Kimble wrapped up the week's weddings when he tied the knot with supermodel Nikie Taylor. Kimble was obviously thrilled that Taylor accepted his proposal. He said

"I'm thrilled that Taylor accepted my proposal." Kimble will be featured alongside Taylor wearing a thong bikini in the next Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue. Nikie Taylor's wardrobe for the photo shoot has not yet been decided.

The hectic week came to a close at the funeral of Illiterate Society President Katherine Macaroni. She apparently died of a heartbreak, unable to deal with the idea that three of the biggest hearthrobs on campus were no longer available, and would no longer be around to receive all her nasty editorials. The Macaroni family is dealing with the loss, but then again they are well accustomed to tragedy... just last winter,

a house fell on Katherine's sister during a freak tornado in Kansas.

Three Weddings and a Funeral



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Krista's Crappy Constant complaints column

Krista Getalife
(The bald Lady)

Life sucks and then you die. You know- I hate life, everything about it irritates me, especially those damn headstart kids. I mean- who do they think they are. I wish everyone could be as cynical and pessimistic as I am. We have no true purpose in life anyway and if we find it we are all to lazy to go after it anyway - so what's the use? I think of taking a leap off the bridge at least once a day. I believe that this is a healthy thought, and if you don't think so lets agree to disagree like person A or was that person B.

Old people - they really get on my nerves. I often hit them for fun while I am driving around aimlessly searching for my purpose in life. Those blue haired, cane carrying SOB's constantly hog the roads. They take so `friggin' long to cross the street or to get from point A to point B. I think the elderly should be restricted to their homes and slipped food under their doors for survival - nah- let them starve - who needs em.

Christmas is coming- Ho Ho whole lot of hype for nothing. The holiday season is all about a bunch of greedy store owners who are just trying to make another buck. The only reason why people give gifts at Christmas time, is because they want to make people feel guilty so they will buy them a good gift. Santa Claus is just another way of fooling children into believing in fairy tales, senseless dreams and over-eating.

I am not a bitter person, I just can not find any good in anyone or anything. It is not that I haven't tried to see things positively, it is just that I want my damn English classes back. "If someone told me a year ago how much I would grow to hate people, I would have replied 'How bad could it be?' Imagine my surprise when I came to ULowell." Maybe I should just get the hell out of here and stop spreading my misery amongst the student body. Nah- I enjoy wiping smiles from people's faces. Complaining is what I do best and I just can't think of anything intelligent or useful to say.

I am sad(no kidding really?) that I am running out of space to complain and voice my shallow opinions. I really should probably find some pleasures in life because to tell you the truth - I have no friends. I really can't understand why, for some reason no one likes to be around me. Maybe I should try changing my brand of deodorant.

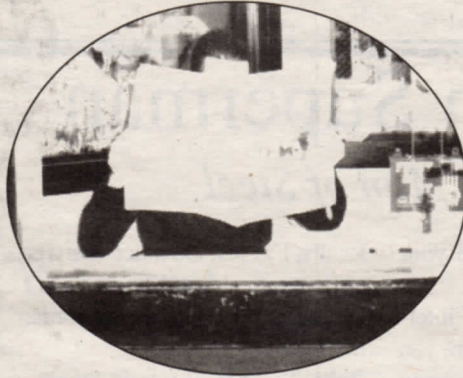
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University Reeks!

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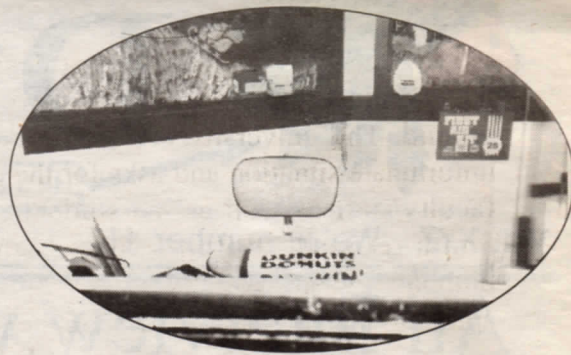
What do UMASS Lowell security officers really do?

- compiled by Lisa Turcotte



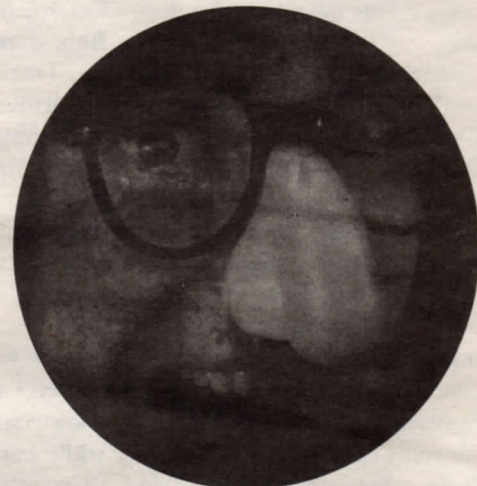
"Can't you see I am busy here. If I can't have any real action, I might as well read about it."

"I don't know. I am still trying to figure out what the Riverhawks are."



No one could be found, but their was an empty box of Dunkin' Donuts left on the desk. They must have went out for some coffee.

"I sometimes like to wear funny costumes, maybe it's because I get a little bored or it could be related to this fast paced job, it makes me a little crazy."



OLICEPAY OGLAY (Pig Latin)

Dan O'Grady
DisConnector Stiff

Friday, December 2

- 01:34- Medical call, alcohol poisoning, Fox, Bogus, Leech, Aims, Donahue, Sheehy, Smith, Concordia (take your pick).
- 12:30- Daniel O'Grady arrested for running naked through Fox cafe, yelling "Jell-O, I need Jell-O."
- 13:03- Fake ID ring broken on Campus, Residence Life Staff under investigation.
- 14:62- Report of Stolen vehicle, stolen was a 1975 Ford Pinto.
- 15:08- Report of students smoking pot, South Campus. (Nah...)
- 15:10- Report of a car fire, 1975 Ford Pinto.

Saturday, December 3

- 08:56- Superman arrested for possession of a controlled substance & disturbing the peace, Delta Kappa Phi.
- 09:46- Report that Fox Hall sank into river.
- 10:56- Report of farm animals loose, Donahue 4th Floor.
- 11:56- Report of stolen vehicle, taken was the UML-Emt ambulance (vehicle was later returned, thief apologized saying "I thought it was worth something").
- 13:46- UML police cruisers loses light bar at car wash (Nah...).

Sunday, December 4

- 00:01- Report of absolutely nothing happening.
- 00:02- Report that previous report is inaccurate.
- 05:98- Smith and Eames turned into homeless shelters. Students kicked out.
- :007- B & E of M.V. 10-10 IPI, UML-PD RSVP UML-EMT's, Trinity MIA.

Monday, December 5

- 03:45- Assorted fire alarms on campus.
- 05:15- Brian Keener arrested for having no life (We all know this is untrue, right?).
- 06:59- Stolen vehicle, Vulcan Lot. Stolen was a Galaxy Class Starship, license NCC-1701.
- 11:15- Chief Rowe promoted to Hawk.
- 15:14- Stolen vehicle.

- 15:15- Stolen vehicle.
- 23:59- 11:59 and all's well.

Tuesday, December 6

- 00:01- 12:01 and all hell's broken loose.
- 04:35- Report of farm animals loose, Donahue 4th floor (again).
- 07:55- Stolen vehicle, Fox Lot. Taken was a 1983, blue & white, Bluebird bus. If seen, please drop off the students that were on it.
- 09:30- Report of nuclear reactor missing from North Campus. Found in Fox Hall being used by ARA (To "cook" the food).
- 12:20- Report of quick, friendly service at the Registrars office. UML-PD will investi gate.
- 16:03- UML Football team arrested for battery on Pee Wee team who beat them.
- 17:30- Chris Pabst arrested for inciting food fight in Fox Cafe. Was upset due to humiliating defeat by Pee Wee team.

Wednesday, December 7

- 06:00- Report of 353 Japanese zero's launching attack on (whoops, wrong log).
- 06:10- Report of a Fire Alarm, Pearl Harbor (still the wrong log)
- 11:35- Stolen vehicle, Lovejoy Lot. Taken was a 1985 Yugo. You would have to be pretty desperate!
- 07:35- Disturbance, Senate Chambers in Fox. Report of a fight (oh, that's not new).

Thursday, December 8

- 08:30- Medical call, Molson Hall. Student OD's on calculus. UML-EMT's responded.
- 10:30- Frik & Frak (Riverhawk twins) arrested for the attempted murder of Charlie Chief.
- 12:34- UML Hockey team arrested for stealing burger patties from Fox Cafe (pucks).
- 14:25- Stolen vehicles, pick whichever lot.
- 17:42- UML students seen purchasing alcohol for parties (Nah...).
- 21:45- Code 3, Delta/Delta, closing soon.
- 25:25- UML condemned by Health Board.

The OlicePAY Oglay is provided by the UMass Lowell OlicePAY Department.

...Residence Strife

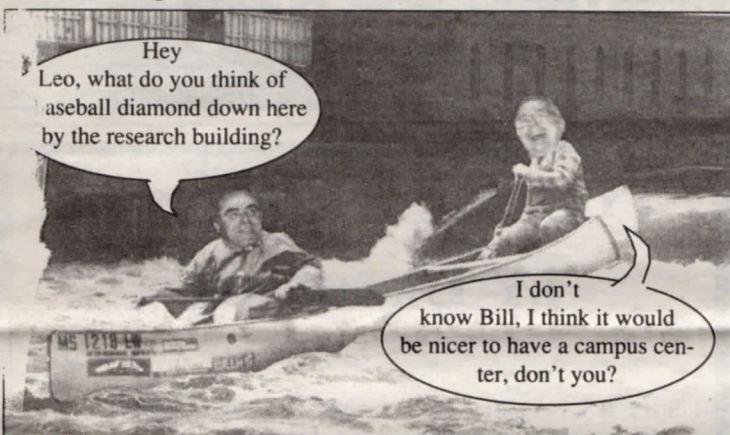
Fox Hall Sinks into the Merrimack River

Recent heavy rains and a degrading foundation have resulted in Fox Hall sinking several stories into the ground. The university plans to make the best of this unfortunate situation and asks for the cooperation of the faculty/staff as well as the students. Security Officer Smith responded "Blubbbblubb, blubububub bub bub blubub" when asked about how this would affect his ability to man the security desk in the lobby.

A representative from ARA-Mart told this reporter that all of their employees will be issued extra-tall galoshes to help alleviate the complaints of prune-foot. Jerky the bus driver has traded in his bus for a luxury model, state-of-the-art gondola in which he can carry up to 3 people comfortably, 47 with a little bit of squeezing.

With the roof off and continued heavy rains in the forecast, the Meteorology Dept. predicts that the water level will top off at about the eighth floor. Residents say they don't mind the changes, "It's about time we got a swimming area on this side of North Campus!" replied one satisfied customer.

Noah was asked if he would reconsider keeping his ark on Mt Ararat and possibly relocate to the top of Fox: "Well, I might consider it if the price was right. As it is now, the city hasn't followed through on their promise to build a new zoo for my animals in the Bon Marche bldg. downtown."



A candid moment with Bill & Leo on their last concrete canoe trip along the Merrimack.



Fox Hall as it appeared this weekend. University Officials deny charges of unattended bathroom leaks.

Burned Out From Finals? Pissed Off At The World?

Take a vacation, yeah, take a LONG one, as a matter of fact, DON'T EVEN COME BACK!!! You show them how much you're mad at the whole system and classes and everything! Go home and be angry! Pout and be miserable like that Krista Laundry person who is always complaining. Maybe someone will give a shit and listen to your crap.



Unimportant Holiday Notes:

1. Due to the removal of all toilets from Bogus Hall, all persons stupid enough to do so are asked to use the facilities of the Fox Hall first floor lobby.
2. All Lice Hall residents have been placed on a daily prescription of Prosack, the powerful resident-altering drug that turns people into football players.
3. Are you unhappy about the lack of cancellations due to snow? Then show your concern by building snowmen in the driveways of prominent university officials. Really, they don't mind you expressing your opinions.

A LOWELL CONNECTOR PRODUCTION

Jim Nathan Philip Brian Joe
CORCORAN BUTZE KELNHOFER WOODHOUSE EUBANKS

Introducing

"SPECIAL ED" TSAI as JUDGE LANCE ITO

A Phillie Phil K. Production

written by A.C. Dammit

Directed by James A. Kimble

SCRATCHIN' ON SIMPSON



Nominated for
32 Academy
Awards
including:
best picture
best actor
best use of a gavel
most pc film
coolest producer
shortest title
most puddin'
and
the ladies choice
award

also starring Betsy Phillips and Lisa Turcotte as the president and founder of The Hair Club for Women

Now that you've seen the movie hear the album



Soundtrack to

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THE BUSINESS MEN

Coming soon

Three Piece Suit



Available at finer car washes and supermarkets near you

Tarts for Entertainment

Back in Business with The Business Men

Riding the coat-tails of their number one album, The soundtrack to *Scratchin' on Simpson*, the Business Men released their second effort *Three Piece Suit*, which is predicted to topple the current *Scratchin'*'s sales records.

The Business Men is made up of three former Connector staff members gone Wall Street: Da Chief, C. Breeze, and Jimmy Luv. C and Jimmy control the mike while Da Chief controls the turn tables.

When first approached for the Simpson album The Business Men were unsure of whether or not they would want to be associated with a scandalous type of movie, but they quickly relented after seeing the film. "We know what it's like being pushed down by The Man and gettin' harassed by the media and all. So it's only appropriate that we did the soundtrack," commented C. Breeze.

Scratchin' has been the number one film for over two month's now and has set money making record by topping the \$500 million mark in gross revenue.

"Just wait till the action figures come out. I'm sure they will

surpass the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers for the hottest Christmas toy this year." Said one movie executive.

The soundtrack has set some records of it's own; topping the charts for an unheard of forty-seven weeks.

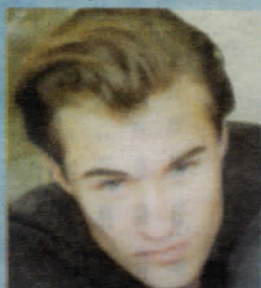
The single "He's A.C. Dammit" topped Billboard's Top 10 for thirty-five weeks embarrassing Boys II Men's one time record of seventeen weeks.

Their more corporate tracks like "Debits and Credits" and "Check The Exit" has made The Business Men's raw sound and unusual lyrical content a household necessity. Turn table Master Da Chief explained, "C and J aren't really down with the gangster rap scene, you see they're past all that." Never before has a group brought Crenshaw Avenue and Wall Street together.

Lyrics like "He don't need no series seven license, now sell mother-f---er, sell." Produce an effect that has never before been brought forth through any type of music.

The album's first single from *Three Piece Suit* "I don't need to f---ing 1040" is sure chart topper.

The Business Men



Interview with the Kimble

Vlad Dracula
DisConnector Staff

The sequel to the box office hit *Interview with the Vampire* came a lot sooner than many, including Anne Rice, would have expected. The original is still showing at many venues, yet the sequel *Interview with the Kimble* has just wrapped up shooting at the DisConnector Offices.

The low-budget film picks up where the original left off.. well not really, but the promoters figured they might as well play that card... this film actually has nothing to do with *Interview with the Vampire*, but does that really matter? Jim Kimble stars as the tormented vampire whose lust for blood is only equaled by his lust for alcohol. Director Oliver Stoned described the film as a deep tale of "a tormented vampire whose lust for blood is only equaled by his lust for alcohol."

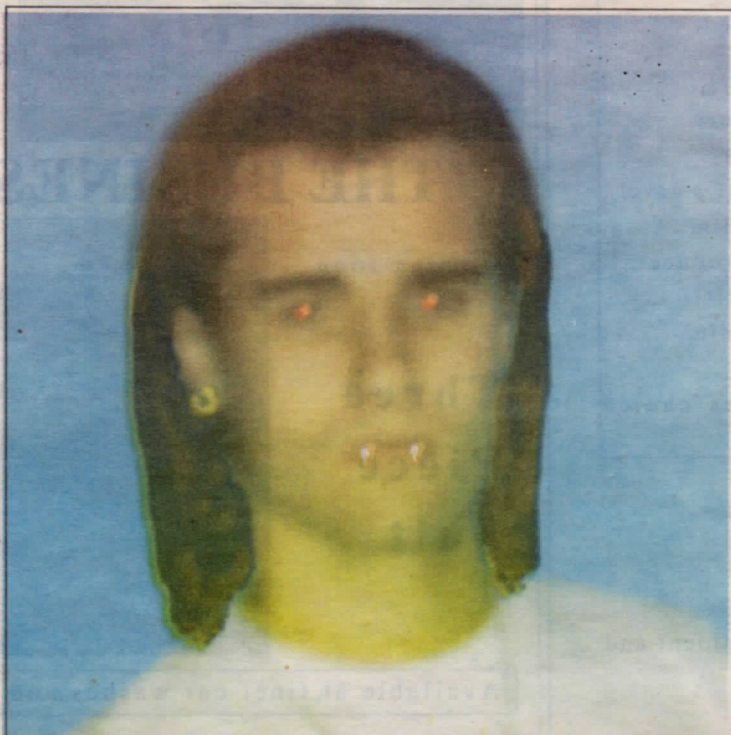
When Kimble was asked how he prepared for the demanding roll he replied, "Bebe mucho cervesa." Unfortunately, I don't speak Spanish so I have no idea what that means. Kimble went on to later tell how the movie wasn't so much a fictional tale as it was an unauthorized autobiography, well at least the parts about drinking alot.

Kimble's character named Jim Kimble (purely coincidental according to screenwriter Phillie Phil K) begins with an innocent trip to the Brewery Exchange where

he gets sloshed. From there the movie simply follows Kimble from bar to bar where he continually drinks, becomes "friendly" with the female employees, and gets beaten to Kimbles and Bits.

Actually the movie has nothing to with Vampirism except for few esotirc references to Bloody Marys. Producer Nothin Butz the Truth admitted that he only wanted to make a quick buck on Anne Rice's success and he plans to leave the country before the law-suits are filed.

Interview with the Kimble will be in showing on selected screens (Jim's living room TV) until yesterday. Thank you for your support.



COLLEGE ASTROLOGY BY LATOYA J.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) You are the number one selling car in America so keep it up.

Piscies (Tuesdays) You're a fish you idiot so get in the water.

Gemini (May 21 to May 30 even days only) Don't the chicken surprise at ARA. Of course this is good advice for anyone.

Cancer (June 21 to June 22) Get to a doctor and have mammogram. Even if you are a guy.

Aries (November 13, 1964) Duck.

Leo (Aprilmayjune) Buy the new Business Men CD. Brought by Zeke's Fish, 'n Chips, 'n Records ... producers of *Three Piece Suit*.

Virgo, Scorpio, Libra, Sagittarius (August 1, 2, 3, ...) We're just making this up anyways so it doesn't really matter does it?

Capricorn (whatever) Ya know I'm starting to think that this wasn't a very funny idea for the DisConnector.

NEIL & BOB'S TOP TEN TOP TEN LISTS

Top ten worst snack food ideas

10. Chunks 'o Stuff
9. Bobbit-pops
8. Lotso Larva
7. Cheese Curdles
6. Ranch Flavor Cracker Jacks
5. Hostess Athletic Cup Cakes
4. Farhuernuget
3. Pork rinds
2. Choco-glass
1. Ben and Jerry's Bacon Explosion

Top ten rejected ad campaigns for Shindler's List

10. Humanit-Aryan film of the year
9. It's a Jew-el of a film
8. The best movie ever made about genocide
7. The Holocaust... it was fantastic
6. How can you Nazi this movie?
5. It's better than Ishtar
4. Shindler's List - it's Hitler-iffic
3. That's a lot of pudding
2. No Jewish people were hurt in the filming of this movie
1. The feel good movie of the year

Top ten things Santa doesn't want you to know

10. Rudolph... gay as a French horn
9. Beat the crap out of the Easter Bunny in a barroom brawl
8. He can't stand kids
7. His other car is a Geo Prism
6. Has never missed an episode of Melrose Place
5. Once caught Mrs. Claus in bed with Frosty the Snowman
4. He shot JFK
3. When stranded in the desert, he was forced to eat Donner and Blitzen
2. He likes naughty girls more than nice ones
1. He doesn't exist

Top ten nicknames for news editor, Ed Tsai

10. Tsai of Relief
9. Bon-Tsai Tree
8. Special Ed
7. The Editor
6. The Tsai Master
5. Tsai Must Be Going
4. I'm So Ed-Tsai-ted
3. Tsai-cle Cell Anemia
2. Jacket and Tsai
1. Judge Lance Ito

Top ten things that rhyme with RiverHawk

10. Master Lock
9. Smelly Sock
8. Celery Stalk
7. Dirty Talk
6. Dr. Spock
5. Chief
4. Neil and Bob Rock
3. Itch your Jock
2. River Hawk
1. Suck my...

Top ten ways the UML football team can improve its 0-10 record

10. No more half-time naps
9. Sign OJ Simpson... I hear he can really cut through the defense
8. One word: steroids
7. Less fudge, more weight lifting
6. Make practices mandatory
5. Implement off-season diet of raw squirrel meat and bootleg whiskey
4. Make promise to themselves: "I'm going to improve on my 0-10 record"... keep that promise
3. Get Neil and Bob to come out of retirement
2. Drop down to local pop-Warner division
1. Win a game

Top ten George Bailey quotes cut out of "It's a Wonderful Life"

10. That's a bad touch, Uncle Billy
9. Violet... we have to go to the free clinic
8. Every time a door slams, an angel gets his ass kicked
7. Take that, Mary! *smack*
6. Dad - you and Ernie the cab driver - NO!
5. Don't look at me like that, Sam - I'll kick you ass... HeeHaw
4. Mmmmm... mayonnaise
3. Sorry's not good enough, Potter, I want a piece of your hide
2. Get out of my face, Clarence, you pussy
1. I know it's your underwear, Mary, but I just want to feel pretty. Is that so wrong. Well, my father didn't think so.

Top ten Boston Globe recommendations to improve UMass Lowell

10. Tell Registrar to stop slapping students
9. Hold classes in the Brewery Exchange
8. Put editor of Connector on payroll
7. Turn Fox into Adult Entertainment Center
6. Buy a book for O'Leary
5. Bi-weekly sacrifice of music majors
4. Make Chuck Woolery the Dean of Love
3. Put the escort back in the Escort Service
2. Make all faculty wear capes
1. Replace shuttle bus service with shuttle submarine service along the Merrimack

Top ten reasons not to join the Literary Society

10. They split their infinitives
9. 'Cause the Connector staff will kick your ass
8. You have to work with K. Macaroni
7. The Pearl sucks
6. Do you really need a reason?
5. They shave you bald
4. They're a bunch of losers
3. They cut off your pinkie if you miss a meeting
2. There's no DisPearl
1. It's just like joining the Connector, but there's no cool kids, and you don't do anything

Top ten euphemisms for masturbation

10. Punching the midget
9. Snapping the carrot
8. Shock the monkey
7. Waxing the dolphin
6. Join the Literary Society
5. Shaking hands with Mr. Lincoln
4. Beat the bishop
3. Churning the butter
2. Box the Jesuit
1. Five against one



Neil



Bob

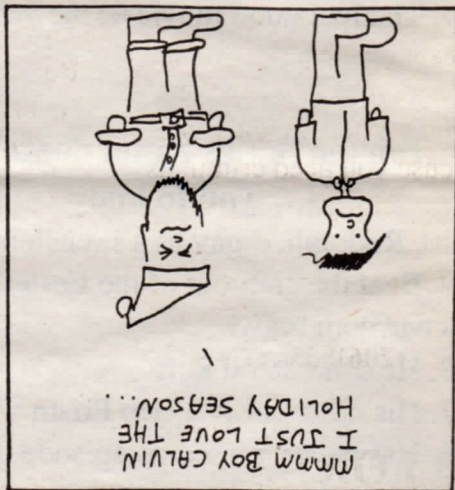
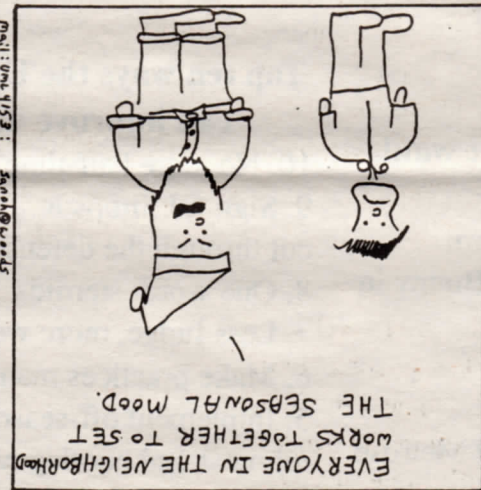
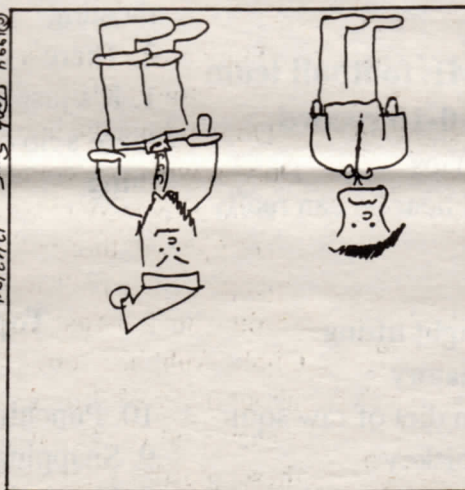
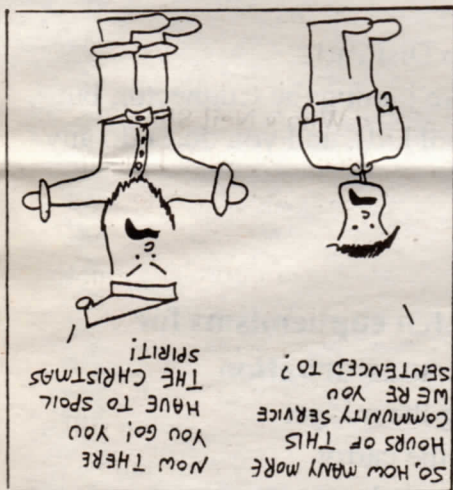
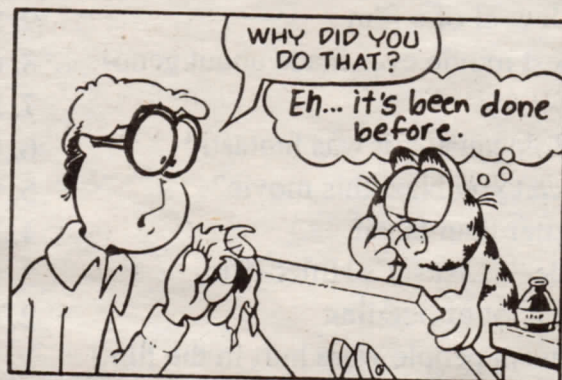
DISCOMIX

— WHERE NO MAN IS SPARED... 24 HOURS... 7 DAYS —

THIS SUCKS.
Whaddya
Want, it's the
DisConnector.

Girly Twerp Needs Friends

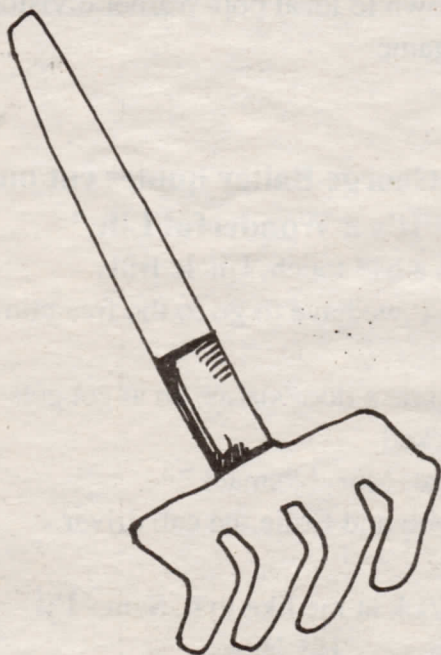
by Flatt Mockinghim



by Josh Sand

The Strip

HOLLYDAY GREETINGS BOX



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HOE

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HO!

I'M PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE WHO WORKED ON THE CONNECTOR THIS WEEK!

Hunt it. Kill it. Eat it.

in the UML GLASS 'O ICE

EMPLOYMENT

\$\$\$ EXTRA \$\$\$

Come to the combat zone in Boston. Ladies wear something slinky. . . guys make sure to bring those yellow handkerchiefs for the back pocket.

Great pay - no benefits.

Look for the guy in leather. . .that's me, Vinnie

NEED A JOB?

Then get one! Duh
I mean, come on.

Work in Alaska

No really, you'd like it. Trust us It's not that cold. And the reports of polar bear attacks are greatly exaggerated. In fact, it's very safe. . .I mean there's no crime. . .mainly because you need criminals for crimes to happen . . .and you need people for there to be criminals. . .but that's another story.

(206)555-ALAS

FOR SALE

Two Greek gods

Dionysus and Apollo.

Package deal. Dionysus is especially fun at parties - he is the god of wine after all. Apollo is kind of a stuffed shirt - but he is wicked smart. See picture below. Apollo is the one with the big flute
nudge *nudge*

Condoms

Only slightly used.
No rips, no tears.
Bulk rate deals -
100 for \$5
Call 555-1234

The Disconnecter

After all those law suits. . .we're just dyin'. So buy UML's most popular student newspaper. . .of course we don't charge anything for our papers. But think of how jealous everyone will be when you own your very own newspaper

'87 CAMARO

White, T Top, runs good, new brakes, new muffler. Dead body in the trunk - but that's none of your business so don't worry about it!

\$2,800 or B/O
Call 345-BODY

White Ford Bronco

Only been used on the highway. . but I went very slow. For nothing extra . . you get OJ's sweat (and there's lots of it). I had my tapedeck on record for the whole drive - so you'll be the first to own this tape. I'm sure a certain female prosecutor would pay big bucks for this.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Condom-testing

No pay. . .but lots of benefits. If you know what I mean *nudge* *nudge*
wink *wink*

Show up early and don't be left out. Participants will be limited to the first 100 people who show up

CLUBS

Neil and Bob Fan Club

You people really need help. Trained psychotherapists will be on hand to help you. Also at our last meeting of the year we

will have shock therapy and if all else fails. . .a free lobotomy.

Zee French Clube

Our first meeting of zee year. Come see your favorite stars. . .Pepe Le Pew and Jerry Lewis.

People who thought that French Club Ad wasn't all that funny

Yeah, well screw you! You try and fill 8 pages with stuff that you plebes might find somewhat amusing. You people make me sick. You were just sitting there waiting for a lame gag . . .and then you jump all over me. Well, I'm not gonna play the sap for you or anyone

The Chuck Woolery Fan Club

Do you love the man? Do you wish you could go on the Love Connection and reject all those other people, and say "I want you Chuck." Yes! Yes! Ohhh! Ahhhh! Oops sorry about that. Well if you've answered yes to any of these questions, go to hell. He's mine - all mine.

The Please let me go

The Odd Couple of Greek Mythology

home club.

I feel like I've been writing these damn things for eight hours now. Please can I leave now. . .these chains are chafing me.

< NO! >

But please, Nathan, I've done a pretty good job, and I'm almost done.

Besides no one really understands any of these jokes. The Dionysus and Apollo ad for example.

Very few people will understand how much like Oscar and Felix those two are. Apollo (Felix) represents order, cleanliness, and nice little sandwiches with the edges cut off. Dionysus represents chaos, randomness, and drinking lots of beer. Neil Simon was quite probably inspired by these two diametrically opposed individuals.

< Who's Neil Simon? >

Jeez, see what I mean.

He was the guy who wrote the play, The Odd Couple! Goddaminit! Get a clue!

Ouch. . .stop hitting me please.

There I'm done!

< No you're not you still have few lines left>

Oh really?

< Yes, there are four . .no three lines left. >

Ciao



DISCONNECTOR OFFICE HOURS:

8:00AM - 4PM, M - W

8:00AM - 2PM, TH & F

Or whenever we recover from our hangovers

Advertisement is FREE to all registered UML students for two weeks of publication as long as we like them. Ads will be automatically removed if we feel like it. FOR NON-STUDENTS and Local Businesses: don't even bother - we hate you, so we'd probably charge you something like \$500.00.

Come to think of it - we hate everyone. So no free ads. . . No make that no ads at all!

~DEADLINE IS Everyday~

Snorts

Ho Ho Hole Lot of Shakin' Goin' On

Santa Claus to play football for UMass Lowell River Hawks

Jeremiah "Was a Bullfrog"
Cohen
DisConnector Stiff

In a bold attempt to improve the dim future for his squad, the head coach for the UMass Lowell football team has recruited Santa Claus to play fullback for the 1995 season. Santa agreed to sign a letter of intent to attend UML as a health major and is expected to provide immediate results for the River Hawks.

The coach seemed very enthusiastic about the idea of having Santa in his backfield next year. He was quoted as saying "I'm very enthusiastic about the idea of having Santa in my backfield next year."

The coach added that Santa was a real gift to the team. Especially since he can really fly through the defense. He also should be a standout in inclement weather... he is said to love the snow.

Although Santa is a little old, he can still fly across the field and will provide valuable experience in bad weather conditions. If he can get down to playing weight (432 lbs), Santa should be unstoppable.

There was a little concern that Santa would not be available for post-season play due to his busy holiday schedule, but Santa promised "don't worry... if UMass Lowell gets an invitation to a major Bowl game, I'll just skip Christmas... it's not a big deal - football comes first, then booze, and then fulfilling little kids' wishes on Christmas Day... really, it's not a big deal, I've got my priorities straight."

In addition to his duties as fullback, he will also scout opponents in the league for the coaching staff. He has a list that tells whether the players on a given team are bad or good (so be good for goodness sake!). It is expected that he will check the list twice.



GET A HEAD OF THE GAME. BE A DONOR

Before:



After:



Thousands of women suffer from hair loss and female pattern baldness everyday. If you're a woman with a quality head of hair, become a donor today. **Stop the insanity of female pattern baldness!**